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40% of buses had accidents with casualties

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Over 40 per cent of the country's buses were involved in accidents with casualties last week. The figures were issued this week by the Central Bureau of Statistics, which said that 415 out of each 1,000 buses had accidents in 1971 — compared with 383 per 1,000 in 1970. Buses headed the accident movement chart. Second on the chart were taxis at a rate of 308 per 1,000 — down from their 1970 figure of 318 per 1,000. The rate for private vehicles was 80 per cent, and for trucks 79 per cent. The fact that buses are much more than private cars is taken into consideration in the statistics. For each 100 kilometers travelled 4.6 buses were involved in accidents, compared with 1.5 private cars. The figure of passengers casualties caused to passengers through faulty driving as well as through bus collisions with other vehicles.

Cold wave to continue today

AVIV — The cold wave will be unbroken today, the meteorologist said yesterday. A westerly wind which forced its way out of certain areas today died down yesterday. The Yavneel valley, 1,300 feet above sea level, was intended for export of citrus fruit. The damage estimated at 10 million. The cold also struck hard at the olive crops in the new Belsen and Be'er Sheva moshavim, in Be'er Sheva, Meholah, Nahal Be'er Sheva and Gilead.

Husein's mother eyed wedding announcement

(UPI) — The announcement of the wedding of King Hussein of Jordan and Queen Alia Toukan was delayed five days due to opposition from King Hussein's mother, uncle and other family members, a Palestinian news agency said yesterday. The announcement was made on Sunday, but the king and queen had been married 15 days earlier. The king and queen spent those five days at Husein's winter palace in Amman.

Shells fired at Golan patrol

Improvised shells — some of them hand grenades — were fired at an Israeli patrol in the Golan Heights early yesterday. There were no casualties. The shells were fired from an anti-aircraft launcher placed in the Golan Heights, near the Israeli-Syrian border. It is thought that the shells were fired during the night when the Israeli patrol was on duty.

Gaza motorist dead by soldier

A Palestinian motorist was shot and killed in Gaza early yesterday after he failed to heed a military order. Several other passengers were in the car at the time. The soldier who fired the shot was not identified.

FOOD PILES UP AT AIRPORT Troops fire on hungry looters in Managua

MANAGUA — Troops fired at looters yesterday as groups of starving Managuans ratted supermarkets for food and other necessities in the earthquake-stricken capital of Nicaragua. Looting was becoming widespread as the homeless and destitute pawed through the rubble looking for something to eat. "We turn into animals when we get so hungry," a man in tattered clothes said. "We'll do almost anything to get something to eat." A rescue worker said he saw one looter shot in the face and killed by a National Guard soldier. Those survivors who owned pistols, rifles or shotguns carried them to protect what property they were able to salvage. Gen. Anastasio Somoza, leader of Nicaragua, said the stricken nation had plenty of medical supplies but there was an urgent need for food supplies. The Honduran Red Cross said last night that Gen. Somoza had banned the distribution of food and water to the people who decided to stay in Managua to protect their property. Police estimated that most of the 400,000 inhabitants of Managua had fled the city by yesterday, following Saturday's devastating earthquake. But about 24,000 people were left in the city, some because they had no transport with which to join the endless columns of refugees leaving Managua. However, official sources said many inhabitants refused to leave their homes often because they did not want to leave the places where their loved ones died when the earthquake tore Managua apart. Some 24,000 people still remain in the city. It was impossible to determine how many persons died. Estimates ranged between 1,000 and 10,000. U.S. Ambassador Turner Shelton said he knew at least 2,000 persons died. The toll of injured ran into the thousands and many of the seriously hurt were flown to other Latin American countries for treatment. Army troops carried out mass burials, but many bodies remained buried under tons of debris, some of it piled five meters high in streets. The stench of death was so powerful it drove rescuers back choking. A spokesman for the Managua fire department said a square block area had been designated "contaminated" and would be leveled to become the tomb of those who died in the quake. Fire Department Chief Lt. Miguel (Continued on Page 4, Col. 4)

ISRAEL TO SEND MEDICAL TEAM

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Israel Government is to send a 10-man medical team to Nicaragua to help relief work after the earthquake there. Yesterday, the Government instructed Israel's ambassador to Costa Rica, Eli Nevo, who is also accredited to Nicaragua, to ascertain what type of medical personnel is required. On the basis of his reply, a team will be made up and dispatched without delay, a Foreign Ministry official said last night.

Sinyavsky said going to France

MOSCOW (UPI) — Writer Andrei Sinyavsky, released from prison last year after serving five and a half years for alleged anti-Soviet activity, has applied to emigrate to France, dissident sources said yesterday. Sinyavsky, 46, made the application to the Soviet visa office OVR. There was an immediate indication that day he applied. He has received no reply as yet, the sources said. French sources said Sinyavsky had not approached their embassy. Sinyavsky, widely published in the West under the pen name Abram Tertz, stood trial in February 1968 with satirist Yuli Daniel in a case that came to symbolize the struggle for intellectual freedom in the Soviet Union. Sinyavsky was sentenced to seven years in prison and Daniel, whose books were smuggled out and published under the name Nikolai Arshavsky, got five on charges their books were "slandering anti-Soviet Conventions." Daniel was released in September 1970 after serving his full term, including pre-trial confinement, and Sinyavsky in June, 1971, 18 months early because of good behavior. Sinyavsky was much the better known. Two of his novels — "The Molokan Experiment" and "The Trial Begins" — were best sellers in the West. They were not published in the Soviet Union. Both men denied at their trial their work was anti-Soviet and reaction to the trial was intense. The sentencing started a chain reaction of protest that marked the birth of Moscow's tiny dissident movement. Since his release, Sinyavsky has been writing literary essays and living with his wife and seven-year-old son in a Moscow suburb.

Clal take-over of C.T.I.C. said assured

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent
Clal has acquired control of the Central Trade and Investment Company, according to sources in the C.T.I.C., making Clal the biggest privately owned investment company in this country. Almost 60 per cent of the shareholders have agreed to exchange their stock for shares in Clal, the sources said. A Clal official was more cautious, but conceded that the 60 per cent mark would be crossed in the next few days. "When that happens, we shall prepare a prospectus, offering the same conditions (one share per share) to other shareholders in C.T.I.C., should they decide to come in," he said. According to the last consolidated balance-sheet, Clal's assets topped IL500m. in 1971, while C.T.I.C. is worth IL250m. Aharon Dovrat, Clal's managing director, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday: "If all the shares of C.T.I.C. are sold to Clal, then the sellers will receive IL42m. of stock, raising their total equity in Clal from IL22m. to IL124m." Owners of C.T.I.C. will play a considerable role in Clal, since they will control one-third of the stock. The three big banks will have another third between them, and the remaining third will belong to the Latin American investors. Board members of C.T.I.C. who have sold out will automatically become board members of Clal. Whether those who sell later will become board members in their turn will be decided at the general meeting of Clal shareholders in May. Not all shareholders in C.T.I.C. favour this take-over, and the subject had aroused some controversy within the company. The largest single shareholder, the Israel Investors' Corporation who own about 20 per cent of Central Trade stock, had headed the opposition. Questioned about the merger last night, Rami Teiber, a member of one of the veteran shareholding families in C.T.I.C. listed several advantages. First, founders' shares in C.T.I.C. are not registered on the Stock Exchange, and so fetch half the price of similar shares that are tradable. The new stock acquired in Clal is all tradable. The merged companies will also show a wider and very healthy diversification of interests. (See page 9)

Truman dies at 88; funeral tomorrow

KANSAS CITY, Missouri — Former President Harry S. Truman, who led the United States in two wars and authorized the first and only use of atomic bombs, died yesterday aged 88. Truman's death was announced by the Research Hospital and Medical Centre here where he was admitted on December 5 suffering from fluid in the lungs. He had been in a coma for almost three days before his death. A hospital spokesman said later that death was caused by "a complexity of organic failures causing a collapse of the cardio-vascular system." An official hospital statement said Mr. Truman's 87-year-old wife, Bess, and their daughter, Mrs. Margaret Truman Daniel, were notified of his death two minutes after he died.

IN HOME TOWN

In Washington, government officials said Truman's funeral will take place tomorrow in the courtyard of the Truman Library in Independence, Missouri, his home town. He will be buried there. The former President's body will not be brought to Washington to lie in state, at his own request, the officials said. Instead, he will lie in state for 24 hours in the Truman Library in Missouri. But a national memorial service will be held in the Gothic-style — and still not completely built — Washington Cathedral. All funeral arrangements are being made by the army, in accordance with custom. The hospital statement said the family had requested that in lieu of flowers friends make contributions to the Harry S. Truman Library Institute in Independence or to charities of their choice. President Nixon directed that the flag of the U.S. be displayed at half mast at the White House and on all buildings, grounds and naval vessels of the U.S. for a period of 30 days from the day of Truman's death. The New York and American stock exchanges will be closed tomorrow for the funeral.



HARRY S. TRUMAN
B.G. — Jews will never forget Truman

"I never knew a single President who revealed so sympathetic an attitude to Zionism and to the birth of the State of Israel as did President Truman," former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion said in a statement yesterday. "I met with Truman on my last visit to the United States, when he was no longer President, and he came to see me at the hotel where I was staying. He joined me at table, and we talked at length about America and the land of Israel. 'I said to him at the conclusion of our conversation that I am not an American citizen and will not judge what you did for America, but I am aware of your attitude to the Jewish people and the State of Israel, and the Jewish people will never forget this.' When Ben-Gurion then told Truman he had earned a place in the history of the Jewish people, the former U.S. President was moved to tears," the statement said.

KNESSET TRIBUTE

When Alignment tribune Whip Yonatan Yitrah heard the news of Truman's death from a journalist in the Knesset lobby, he hurried into the plenum chamber and told Deputy Speaker Mordechai Bibi, who interrupted the session and called the Members to stand for one minute in silence, in Truman's memory. "He was a great friend of the Jewish people," Mr. Bibi declared. The Knesset, in a statement, recalled that Truman was especially revered by Israelis for "his aid in the crucial hours before the establishment of our state." "The American people have lost a great leader and we have lost one of the greatest and most faithful friends of Israel," it added. Israel's flag will be lowered to half mast tomorrow the day of Truman's funeral, at all government and public buildings. The U.S. Embassy opened Books of Condolences in Tel Aviv, and at its Consulate-General in Jerusalem. President Zalman Shazar last night cited Truman's important contribution toward the establishment of the State of Israel. He said that Israel lowered the flag to half-mast in honour of "a rare friend," and a "far-sighted man."

Rabin to pay respects

WASHINGTON — Israel Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin and Chagoz Comand-General Shaul Harnamati will travel to Independence, Mo., tomorrow to pay respects at the coffin of President Harry S. Truman in the Truman Library. They will not take part in the funeral, because of the family's request that it be private. The official memorial ceremony for President Truman will be held in Washington after Congress convenes January 3. No date for the memorial ceremony has been set.

Crash victims survived by turning cannibal

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — Official sources said yesterday that the survivors of an Andes plane crash had eaten the flesh of their dead comrades to avoid starvation during the 69-day ordeal. The sources said 16 survivors, members of Uruguay's Old Christian rugby team, had made a solemn pact that they would not discuss the matter until they returned to Uruguay, and then they would make a collective statement. The plane had 45 persons aboard when it hit an Andes peak on October 13. By the end of October, 29 were dead. There had been rumours that those who survived might have eaten human flesh to live through the bitter mountain blizzards, but the reports could not be substantiated until yesterday. The sources said that one of the young men, not identified, compared the group's decision to use the cadavers as "similar to a heart transplant." The sources said the survivors related that the decision to use the bodies of friends, and even relatives, was a collective one agreed to by all. A Santiago newspaper yesterday quoted a Salesian priest, Father Tomas Gonzalez, as saying "the body must have a fitting place, and in the case of the dead of the Uruguayan aircraft, this place was to serve as food for the survivors." Psychiatrist Jorge Diaz told the same newspaper that he thought cannibalism in this case was perfectly justified. The day would come when the survivors would absolve themselves of guilty feelings and would also be exonerated by public opinion, he said.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The Technion Students Council in Haifa decided at midnight last night not to carry out their scheduled strike tomorrow. The Council chairman will ask the Technion senate to consider a compromise proposal on "second chance" examinations only for those students who do well throughout the term.

U.S. resumes heavy bombing

SAIGON (UPI) — American planes renewed heavy bombing raids over the Hanoi-Haiphong area yesterday after a 36-hour Christmas truce. The U.S. Command announced. President Nixon ordered air crews to avoid civilian areas, but placed no other restrictions on bombing targets, a Command spokesman said.

8 B-52s downed yesterday, Hanoi claims

PARIS (UPI) — North Vietnamese air defenses shot down eight American B-52 bombers yesterday, the North Vietnamese news agency, VNA, said yesterday. The planes were brought down over Hanoi, the port of Haiphong and the province of Bac Thai, the agency said. Many of the pilots were reported captured. The claim brings to 26 the number of planes downed by the North Vietnamese since the U.S. resumed bombing the North on December 18. "because we believe an advantage would accrue to the enemy by mention of foreknowledge of a stand-down." Informed Saigon sources said earlier yesterday that Nixon had ordered an indefinite extension of the bomb halt. But later in the day, a 95-round Communist rocket barrage hit the Da Nang Airbase 590 km. north of Saigon. It was not known if Nixon's order to resume the air war was linked to the Da Nang incident. The shelling of Da Nang wounded one U.S. soldier, killed two Vietnamese civilians and destroyed or damaged five U.S. helicopters. In ground fighting, the Saigon Command said there were at least 66 enemy-initiated attacks in a 24-hour period ending Christmas day. President Nixon, who celebrated the Christmas holiday quietly at his Key Biscayne, Florida, villa, remained silent on the resumption of the air war against North Vietnam. Nixon's aides declined all comment on the subject. But there were indications of behind-the-scenes diplomacy to get the secret Paris negotiations going again. Some officials were saying the stalled peace talks may resume "sooner than you expect."

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Social and Personal

Tourism Minister Moshe Kol yesterday met Richard Hatfield, the Premier of New Brunswick, Canada, who is visiting Israel as a guest of Israel Bonds.

American astronaut James Irwin was the guest of an Arab-Jewish meeting at the Nazareth Hotel in Nazareth yesterday. He talked of his experiences on the moon and showed a film. Among the hosts were Mayor Seif Ed Din Zoubi and Local Council Chairman Mordechai Alon.

Col. Irwin yesterday visited an Israel Air Force base.

David Artell is to speak to the Jerusalem Rotary Club on "Definition of Two Stands" at the regular luncheon meeting at the Y.M.C.A. today at 1 p.m.

Engineer Dov Katz will speak (in Hebrew) on new materials in advanced technologies at the Haifa Rotary Club, Windsor Hotel, at 1 p.m. today.

Fashionable Furs — of course at Rosen's Fur Salon, 72 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv, Tel. 615990. Open all day, 1973 styles. (Advt.)

ARRIVALS

Mr. Bernard Cherrick, Vice-President of the Hebrew University, from a business trip to America and Canada.

Mufti reported claiming house in East J'lem

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter Haj Amin el-Husseini, the Mufti of Jerusalem who organized and led the 1936-1939 riots and joined Hitler in World War II, has engaged a lawyer to ask the Israel Lands Administration to return his house in the Mount Scopus road to the possession of his family.

Gahal's Dr. Binyamin Halevi made this statement yesterday in a parliamentary question submitted to the Justice Minister.

Dr. Halevi said that he had heard reports to this effect and wanted to know what truth there was in them.

(The Post learns that such reports are indeed circulating in Government offices in Jerusalem.)

The Mufti's house on the edge of the Sheikh Jarrah quarter is held by the Custodian of Absentee Property. The Mufti himself is now living in Beirut.

Warhaftig sends Xmas greetings

Religious Affairs Minister Zerach Warhaftig yesterday broadcast Christmas greetings to Israel's Christian citizens. The Minister hoped for "peace and brotherhood between Israel and the neighboring states."



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Teachers call off warning strike after agreement

By ERNIE MEYER Jerusalem Post Reporter

A scheduled one-day warning strike tomorrow of elementary and high school teachers was called off at the last minute, when the Government agreed to pay an additional 16.8 per cent increase over two years.

The Government had earlier insisted on spreading the increase over three years. Teachers will now receive seven per cent retroactively from April 1972, seven per cent on January 1, 1973, and 2.8 per cent on April 1, 1973.

The agreement was reached at a meeting ending at 1:30 a.m. yesterday morning between Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, Education Minister Yigal Alon, and representatives of the two teachers unions.

Mr. Sapir had earlier agreed that the teachers' demands were justified "in principle," disagreement being only about the timing of payments.

45% INCOME

Seen from the point of view of the employer, the Government's present agreement amounts to a 45 per cent increase. In addition to the 16.8 per cent cost of living allowances for 1972 and 1973, plus various allowances for "wage creep" and other specific increases.

The teachers' demands are based on a 1956 agreement linking their salaries to the engineers' scale. While engineers' salaries crept up over the past years, so that an engineer with the equivalent of an M.A. degree started with grade C, a teacher with the same qualification today still starts with grade D.

The present 16.8 per cent increase eliminates that difference. But the basic difficulty which led to the present wage differential and which is likely to do so again in the future, lies in the different wage structure of the teaching and engineering professions.

PROMOTION CHANCES

Mr. Elyahu Yisrael, Deputy Director-General of the Education Ministry, told The Post last night that while engineers can advance in grade during their career, teachers have only their automatic annual increments. Chances for promotion to vice-principal and principal are necessarily limited, he said.

The new agreement covers some 50,000 teachers, from kindergarten staff to inspectors and lecturers at teachers' seminars. Some minor points, such as travel allowances and compensation for teachers taking supplementary courses, remain to be negotiated, an Education Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

Our Economic Reporter adds: The question is whether the teachers, now successfully linked to Grade 3 in the engineers' scale, will want also the same 18 per cent rise that has been promised to the engineers. That would lift their wage boost to 63 per cent.

Treasury sources point out that the engineers are only getting 34 per cent all told (including the framework agreement), or not much more than the 31 per cent gained by the civil servants (because the engineers waived overtime pay). As the teachers are getting 40 per cent, they are ahead of the case, so it is hoped they will content themselves with that.

Housing designated for immigrants

Inquiry urged into sale of Haifa flats

Jerusalem Post Staff

An allegation that the Histadrut housing company, Shikun Ovdim, has sold to relatives of important Labour Party functionaries in Haifa, at least five flats in a development earmarked for new immigrants, was taken up yesterday by Mr. Shmuel Tamir, Free Centre List M.P.

Mr. Tamir called on the Ministers of Housing, Absorption and Agriculture (the buildings in question stand on State Lands Administration land — under the Ministry's jurisdiction) to investigate the allegations, which were published yesterday by "Ha'aretz" and "Ma'ariv."

According to the newspapers' reports, five of the flats, at 5 Rehov Bura at Ramat Remez on Mount Carmel, were sold to five persons, three of them bachelors, and all five related to local party officials. This, despite the fact that all the flats in this development had been set aside for new immigrants and for families recommended by the Defence Ministry, Mr. Tamir said.

In Tel Aviv, a Shikun Ovdim official stated that the flats in question were built to be sold to the general public. Anyone who wanted to buy one could apply, he said.

Post Reporter Yisroel Ardon writes from Haifa: The story has caused a stir in Haifa, especially among young couples who had been promised homes in Ramat Remez. Because of the large number of applications, 112 couples were put on the waiting list.

COST INCREASE

The original cost of the 69 sq.m. flats was IL43,000 in 1971, when registration started. The cost has now climbed to IL60,000, with no ceiling in sight, since the price is pegged to the cost-of-building index. The "lucky" young couples who will get flats are already paying over IL300 a month on mortgages for homes they will not be living in for at least another 18 months (in addition to the rent for their present housing).

(According to the newspaper reports, the five flats sold "under the table" went for IL41,000.)

Strikes cost 200,000 work days in 1971

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter One hundred and forty strikes in 1972 cost the economy 200,000 lost work days, as compared with the 169 strikes in 1971 which cost 179,000 work days.

Labour Minister Yosef Almog made the statement in the Knesset at question-time yesterday, replying to Yosef Tamir (Gahal).

In 1970, when labour contracts were also being negotiated (like 1972), a far greater number of work days was lost, 390,000, he said.

The Minister said that the situation would have been worse this year, were it not for the new Settlement of Labour Disputes Law. Of the 1972 strikes, he said, 55 per cent were in services and 45 per cent in industry.

Mr. Almog told Uri Avnery (Ha'aretz) that the proportion of women in the labour force had gone up from 29 per cent in 1966 to 31 per cent in 1972. The figures for Jewish women alone, he said, went up from 31 per cent to 34 per cent in the same period.

Also at question-time, Transport Minister Shimon Peres told the same questioner that parking arrangements in Tel Aviv would be planned so as to divert most vehicles to the city outskirts, and so as to allow most of the parking for short periods only.

SEAT BELTS

Deputy Transport Minister Gad Yaakobi yesterday came to the Economic Committee — which was discussing a private member bill by the Aguda's Meir Abramovitch to make wearing of car seat belts compulsory. He said that the Ministry wanted to defer a decision on this for a year. This was because it wanted to study the situation in Australia and New Zealand where laws exist to enforce the wearing of belts. In principle, Mr. Yaakobi said, the Ministry favoured the idea.

Committee chairman Avraham Shechterman called upon the Army and the Police authorities to make their drivers wear the belts — as the Government Vehicles Administration had already done.

Also in the Economic Committee, Broadcasting Authority heads Walter Eytan and Shmuel Almog explained why the Authority could not statutorily be obliged to broadcast material on road safety, though in practice it did already broadcast considerable material on that topic.



Norwegian Prime Minister Lars Korvald speaking to Prime Minister Golda Meir in Jerusalem last night. Mr. Korvald, who is here on a private Christmas visit, is accompanied by his wife and two children.

Biggest burglary ring is cracked

TEL AVIV. — Police have uncovered one of Israel's biggest-ever burglary rings, involving IL500,000 worth of stolen goods and dozens of suspects — Jews and Arabs from Israel and Arabs from Nabhus. Most of the stolen goods are leatherwear and clothing, police said.

The investigation by the Tel Aviv Police Central Branch began with the roundup of a group of burglars operating in South Tel Aviv. But detectives soon gleaned further information pointing to a much larger ring of thieves.

At the weekend, police discovered stolen goods worth IL250,000, and got on the trail of another gang mediating between the burglars and the buyers.

A stack of leather was found in a Jaffa shoemaker's shop. Then the investigators set out for Nabhus, the assumption being that the buyers were mainly Arabs. In Nabhus, more stolen merchandise was turned up — again in a shoemaker's shop.

Five Nabhusis were arrested, including a 40-year-old man believed to have coordinated the burglaries and the purchasing.

The investigation climaxed with the discovery of a secret hiding place for stolen goods concealed behind a cupboard in a Jaffa apartment.



Hole in wall of Jaffa apartment leading to cache for goods stolen by one of Israel's biggest-ever burglary rings. The hole was concealed by a cupboard (left) which was shifted aside by police investigators. The girl is unidentified.

Wide discussion held by Defence C'ttee

The Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee yesterday discussed a Gahal motion on the Syrian border situation, with the participation of Defence Minister Moshe Dayan.

The Committee also discussed Jordan's new limitations on visits to the West Bank via the bridges, and its customs levies on West Bank exports. It then heard a report on relocation of Rafah families, and announced it would soon hold a discussion of I.D.F. manpower problems.

The Machpelah Cave also figured in the meeting. The Committee dealt with Gahal and N.R.P. motions on the despoilation of a Tora Scroll and Seder in the Cave, and heard a report from Police Minister Shimon Hillel on the police investigation.

Also discussed was a government proposal that the Knesset extend the emergency regulations governing boats "until the emergency situation ceases to exist." The Committee resolved to extend the regulations for only two years. Chairman Haim Zadok hoped that by then the Knesset would have legislated permanent arrangements for supervision of vessels.

Israel plays Greek soccer champions

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Greek soccer champions, Panathinaikos of Athens, arrived here last night to play the Israel Selected at the Bloomfield stadium at 7 o'clock tonight.

Panathinaikos includes six Greek internationals and is coached by the legendary Ferenc Puskas, one of the stars of the Hungarian wonder team of the 1950s. Puskas, a prolific goalscorer, left Hungary during the 1956 uprising to play for Real Madrid, at the time the most glamorous team in Europe.

In 1971 Puskas led Panathinaikos to the final of the European Cup at Wembley, London, where the Greek club were beaten 2-0 by Ajax of Holland. The internationals in the Panathinaikos team are goalkeeper Constantino, defenders Capitis and Eleferakis, midfielder players Dimitriou and Domasos, and the tall striker Adoniasis.

Israel is expected to line up as against Rumania (2:1) last week, though there was a doubt yesterday about the fitness of George Borba, who played such a fine game as left back against the Rumanians.

National team coach Edmond Shindlowitz met yesterday with Tel Aviv Hapoel coach Harry Gams, who was coach of Panathinaikos for five years until two years ago.

Teams: Panathinaikos — Constantino, Vlachos, Surpris, Eleferakis, Domasos, Adoniasis, Gramachio, Ikonomopolous, Papadimitriou, Kristopolous.

Israel — Vsooker, Gindis, Rosen, Primo, Borba, Shum, Sharebani, Danti, Feigenbaum, Onans, Tafti.

A BEERSHEVA youth handed over to the local police a camera and watch worth IL1,700 which he had found in an abandoned parcel in a street. They had been stolen a month ago from the apartment of one of the city's inhabitants.

TWO KILLED ON ROADS

A 40-year-old woman was run over and killed by a pick-up truck in Jaffa, and in Haifa, a man crashed his car into a wall after apparently suffering a heart attack.

A truck knocked down and killed Maria Marko of Holon as she was crossing Sderot Ben-Zvi in Jaffa. Her husband, who was with her, was injured.

Yaakov Neuman, 65, suffered a heart attack and crashed into a wall on Rehov Herzl in Haifa. His wife, who was riding beside him, was slightly hurt.

An 80-year-old man from the Nuseirat refugee camp in the Gaza Strip died yesterday of injuries suffered on Monday when he was run over by a taxi.

(Item)

West Bank farm output doubles in four years

By YITZHAQ OKED Jerusalem Post Reporter

JERICHO. — Agricultural production in Judea and Samaria has doubled in the past four years. Agriculture Ministry officials told reporters yesterday on a press tour of Jordan Valley farms.

The Ministry's Director-General, Mr. Avraham Brum, said the Government aimed at bringing standards of production and living of West Bank farmers up to par with that of Israeli farmers.

According to Ministry figures, total agricultural production in Judea and Samaria rose from IL135m. in 1968 to IL280m. in 1972. The farmer's daily wage increased from IL4.20 to IL31 per day during the same period.

In 1968, most irrigation was by means of open channels, resulting in evaporation and seepage of about 60 per cent of the water used. Today 1,500 dunams are under pressure irrigation (sprinkle and trickle systems).

Near Allenby Bridge reporters saw — in addition to farm produce going across to Jordan — fields of elephant, earmarked for export to Europe. Jericho's Mayor, Mr. Shafik Ball, greeted the party at the city's modern packing house, operated under Arab and Jewish (Turks) partnership. Mr. Ball requested Government compensation for farmers whose crops were hit by the current cold spell. He claimed this was the second year that local crops had been hit by frost.

Shapiro hopes J'lem Arabs take housing compensation

By ASHER WALLFISH Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Justice Minister Y.S. Shapiro said last night he hoped the East Jerusalem Arabs would take compensation for property they abandoned in Israel in 1947, under the new Absentees' Property Bill, now ready for tabling in the Knesset.

Mr. Shapiro told the Absentees' Property Committee that 1,500 to 3,000 Arab landlords were involved, as some 10,000 protected tenants. The cost would range between IL300m. to IL600m.

The bill would also cover an Arab who might become resident in Israel in the future. If Israel law were applied to their next households, as it had been to Ezer Jerusalem.

The Minister said he would state the principle, when he presented it bill on the first reading, that compensation for Arab refugees generally would be matched again compensation for Jewish refugees from Arab lands.

CAN USE BONDS

Although most payments will be in the form of index-linked 11 year bonds, investors in approved projects in industry or building could also use their bonds for the purpose, he said.

The Committee of Cabinet Ministers on Jerusalem decided last night that the Israel Lands Administration would freeze some 30-40 plots in the city, in suitable areas, to be reserved for foreign embassies moving up to the Capital.

The Committee also charged the Jerusalem City Engineer to submit an estimate of how much it would cost to reroute the Jerusalem Jericho highway, so that it crosses the Mount of Olives cemetery on viaduct.

Cold halves trawler catch

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The cold wave, which has already killed tons of St. Peter's fish in the fish ponds in the north, has also badly affected trawling. During the past week, the trawler fleet caught less than half of what, from 12 to five tons, Fishermen's Union secretary Dov Schmede told The Post yesterday.

The fishermen trawl their nets off the coast at a depth of between 30 and 100 metres — and the usual fishing grounds were "practically deserted" during the week, he said.

The men believe that the fish have left for the warmth of deeper waters, farther off the coast, which are beyond the reach of their nets.

However, they expect a big increase in catches when the cold wave passes and the fish return to their usual habitat.

Police to free British girl today

A British girl who was questioned here on suspicion of smuggling anti-Israeli terrorist literature into the country will be released today because of insufficient evidence against her, police said.

Miss Vanessa Stillwell has been in custody for more than a week, since she was detained upon arrival at Lod Airport. She will go before a judge today to obtain her release.

El Al Boeing returns to Lod on 3 engines

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LOD AIRPORT. — An El Al Boeing 707 on a route to Istanbul returned to Lod Airport yesterday after one of its four engines failed. The plane, which had taken off on Monday night, was half-way to Italy when the captain was ordered to return to Lod.

All 45 passengers were transferred to another flight. Meanwhile the defective engine was repaired and the plane was back in service last night.

Steps planned on arrests

The Presidium of the P.C. Council for Soviet Jewry yesterday expressed shock at the reported collective arrests of aliyah activists in Russia.

The Council plenum will assemble next week in Jerusalem with participation of Prime Minister Golda Meir to decide what steps to take against the arrests.

Moscow Jewish sources say Jews have been rounded up in Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev and other major cities, and held up to 15 days. The arrests are seen as an effort to head off signs of disaffection during the winter session of the Supreme Soviet, and the subsequent 50th anniversary of the founding of the U.S.S.R.

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Treatment at doctors' homes expanded by Kupat Holim

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

In a couple of weeks Kupat Holim members in the towns will be able to see their doctor, the nurse or the laboratory directly, after picking up a card outside the doctor's or the laboratory, without reporting to the clinic first. This is one of a series of improvements announced by the Kupat Holim Central Council, senior physician, Yehoshua Braun, of the Haifa.

The management which is now pending before the High Court, Mr. Grayek said he thought the physicians would not again resort to the strikes. "We have set up a board of enquiry of eight independent experts, including two Kupat Holim doctors, to study the issue and to make recommendations." The entire Kupat Holim Centre, among them men of all political views, was agreed that for medicinal dispensing to patients a nominal fee ("we had in mind 50 agorot") should be charged. But the proposal was vetoed by the Histadrut's Central Committee and it was unlikely that it would be put into effect in 1973, perhaps for C-O-L index considerations and the general rise of prices at present. "It would have netted us IL10m. a year and would have led to a further indirect saving of another IL10m."

COST OF MEDICINE
The forecast cost of medicines to be dispensed to Kupat Holim would be about IL100m. next year, reflecting an excessive addition to and waste of medicines, in the view of most doctors. Instead, the forthcoming addition of IL3 a month to the Histadrut dues would ease Kupat Holim's budget problems. Nearly all of this sum will go to its medical services. Out of Histadrut membership fees, close to 60 per cent are turned over to Kupat Holim.

The immigration of doctors has greatly eased the shortage of some categories of specialists and waiting periods, often several months, have now shrunk to weeks, except in urgent cases when patients are referred to the specialist by his general practitioner for immediate attention. In the Haifa area the integration of the immigrants had been particularly successful, both medically and socially.

But altogether the pressure on the Kupat Holim doctor was still very heavy, the executives explained. A survey had disclosed that numbers came to see their doctor for 56 types of certificates.

During the next five years Kupat Holim in the Haifa district plans to build 10 new clinics, and to expand existing ones, with a combined floor space of 11,000 square metres. New major clinics are planned for Kiryat Yam, Kiryat Ata, Yizre'el, and Kiryat Sprinzak.

Immigrants at airport maintain their strike

LOD AIRPORT. — Several dozen new immigrants from Iran, Georgia and Bukhara remained on a "sit-down" strike in Lod Airport yesterday after the Absorption Ministry failed to meet their demand for housing in places of their choice. They were joined by a newly arrived Indian family during the day.

The Ministry says there are no apartments available in the areas the strikers are demanding. The Iranians occupied a space in the main hall of the terminal, while the others took up positions in the corridor to the absorption office.

"We don't want Dimona," said the head of the five-member Indian family, "we want Ramle." When an "Itim" reporter asked him what he knew about the two towns, he was unable to reply. (Itim)



Resident of Eshaf camp building additional room to his new dwelling outside the camp from bricks which he took from his former home, watched by his wife. Families whose homes are being demolished for wide roadways have been given housing near the camps on easy terms — and many quickly collected bricks and other material from their old homes to add to their new houses. (Bar-Tal)

Police foil wanted man boarding ship in Haifa

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A false beard and a ruse involving a "lost" passport failed to work for a young man wanted in Beersheba for stealing firearms — who tried to leave the country aboard the m.v. Dan here on Monday evening.

The *Jerusalem Post* learns that the man, 23, had bought a ticket to France. At embarkation time on Monday evening, he appeared in the passenger hall, wearing a short beard. He put his trunk through the baggage check but avoided the border control check, apparently because he knew his name was on the wanted list.

After the trunk was taken aboard, the man approached a passenger

hall official, Kurt Berman, and told him he had accidentally locked his passport inside the trunk.

The official accompanied him aboard the ship to retrieve the passport, but once on board, the young man disappeared. Mr. Berman immediately alerted the Coastal Police who started searching the ship.

Meanwhile, the police had spotted the wanted man's name on the passenger list and had him paged over the ship's public address system. The man appeared at the ship's office, by this time no longer bearded. He was arrested and taken into custody, to be handed over to the Beersheba police.

The police later removed his trunk from the hold and opened it. The passport was inside.

State has author's rights to its published material

TEL AVIV. — The State of Israel has author's rights on all material it publishes, just like any author — according to a decision handed down yesterday by Tel Aviv District Court Judge Shlomo Lowenberg.

He issued, at the request of the State Attorney's office, a restraining order against Mr. Israel Har Zahav of Holon, forbidding him to continue selling his book, "The Activities of the Co-op Apartment House's Tenants Committee." The order also permits the State to confiscate copies of the book, which have been selling for IL15 a copy.

The State Attorney's office complained that Mr. Har Zahav included in his book, word-for-word, material published by the Ministry of Justice in full-page ads in newspapers during September 1970. This was made up of 48 questions and answers designed to inform the public about the laws applying to

the tenant of the co-op apartment house.

About a year and a half after the ads appeared the Ministry of Justice received a request from Mr. Har Zahav for permission to use the material, but he did not wait for the permission before he proceeded to publish and sell his book.

The defendant asserted that the State did not have author's rights over the law. Although Judge Lowenberg agreed, he stated that in this case it was not a matter of the law but of explanation of the law: "There is no doubt that this is independent work done by a writer in the Ministry of Justice," he said, adding that the defendant had done nothing to modify the original material.

According to Mr. Har Zahav, 700 of the 1,000 copies printed have already been sold. (Itim)

Forest to honour Yishuv soldiers of World War II

A forest, to commemorate the various British Army units in which some 35,000 volunteers from the Yishuv served during World War II, will be planted at "Latron Hail" in Ennet Ayalon, north of the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv highway.

This was announced yesterday by Shimon Bechar, of the United Israel Appeal and the Ex-Servicemen's Organization. He said the forest would be divided into sections, each to be named after particular units and senior commanders, such as the late Brigadier E.F. Benjamin, commander of the Jewish Brigade. Another section of the forest is to be named after the late Moshe Sharett, one of those who was instrumental in the formation of the Brigade, the first separate Jewish Palestinian fighting unit of the British Army in World War Two.

Carlebach room in Jerusalem library

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
A reading room containing 300 newspapers and periodicals in 10 languages was dedicated yesterday at Jerusalem's Central City Library. The periodicals cover a wide range of topics including science, art, entertainment, education and sports. The room is named in memory of Dr. Ariele Carlebach, the first editor of the afternoon daily "Ma'ariv" and one of the founders of Hebrew journalism in Israel. The editorial board of "Ma'ariv" provided funds for the project through a donation to the Jerusalem Foundation.

Mr. David Pechatzar, Chairman of the Tel Aviv Journalists Association, Mr. Aryeh Dissentzick, editor of "Ma'ariv," and Justice Haim Cohn, who is a cousin of the late Dr. Carlebach, revealed his special contribution to Israel's journalism and singled out his humane attitude to the profession. Mayor Teddy Kollek then called on Carlebach's little granddaughter to cut the ribbon. Among the guests were Labour Minister Yosef Almog, Housing Minister Ze'ev Shafir and the Director-General of the Education Minister, Mr. Ehad Peled.

Boulder rolls onto roof of Haifa building

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
HAIFA. — A rock weighing several tons which broke loose from a road construction site in Rehov Leon Elum yesterday afternoon rolled down the Carmel slope and landed on a dwelling at 56 Rehov Geula. It shook the roof and damaged the 4th floor apartment of City Councilor Moshe Elthental, but caused no casualties.

The rock was stopped by the parapet which prevented it falling onto the heavy traffic in the road below. Police questioned the foreman and the workers of the Snaip building company which is blasting the new road. The rock is to be lifted off the roof today.

Tobacco growers here hit by low prices

ACRE. — Arab tobacco-growing in Israel is being threatened by low prices and the decline of the popularity of Oriental tobacco in favor of foreign produce, farmers claimed yesterday.

They announced an emergency meeting tomorrow to discuss ways to obtain an increase of up to 100 per cent in the price of IL4 per kilo which they now receive.

The farmers added the government had promised them a maximum price rise of 60 ag. per kilo. The growers say many farmers are abandoning tobacco-raising and making more money as labourers. Tobacco farmland, concentrated in the Arab sector of Western Galilee, has dropped from 40,000 to 16,000 dunam over the years, they say. At the same time many smokers were abandoning the locally grown Oriental tobacco for imported brands, they said.

The Agriculture Ministry is reported to be experimenting with growing the foreign tobacco in Israel. (Itim)

UNIVERSITY. — Mr. Victor Carter, chairman of the Board of Governors of Tel Aviv University, donated \$50,000 at a dinner last week in Los Angeles where \$2m. were raised for the university.

Former West Bank official jailed for graft, fraud

TEL AVIV. — A former Labour Ministry official in the administered areas, Mordechai Levi, 43, was sentenced yesterday to four-and-a-half years' imprisonment in what the prosecution called "one of the biggest cases of graft and corruption to be uncovered in the territories."

Levin was a Labour Ministry official in the Military Government for Judea and Samaria between 1968 and 1971. During this period, District Court Judge Shlomo Levin remarked, he stole over IL10,000 by fraudulent means — "and an undetermined amount of money through bribes."

According to one charge, Levin received a kickback of 15 per cent from a trucker who transported

workers to and from their jobs. He also cheated the trucker by pocketing some of the transportation fees paid by factory owners. Levin was also convicted of stealing payments due to workers who performed jobs for the Military Government.

The prosecution submitted hundreds of documents to substantiate the 10-count charge. Levin was finally convicted of four of them — involving bribes, theft and large-scale fraud.

Judge Levin said he was taking into account the fact that the accused was a civil servant whose offences besmirched the State's image among the population in the territories.

State 'not doing enough' to cure drug addicts

TEL AVIV. — A District Court judge has complained yesterday that the State wasn't doing enough to treat the growing number of persons driven to crime because of drug addiction.

Judge Dov Levin made this remark while sentencing Rahamin Tamam to 18 months' imprisonment for breaking into two hotel rooms in Rehov Ben-Yehuda last October, and stealing personal effects and valuables. Tamam's lawyer, Mr. Zvi Lidzky, told the court that his client had taken to burglary to support his drug addiction.

Judge Levin ruled the accused had to go to jail because of his long record of burglaries and thefts. He added, "despite the increase in crime due to drugs, the State is not providing enough institutions to treat these persons who turn to crime because of drug addiction." (Itim)

Jailed six years on spy charges

NAZARETH. — The Nazareth District Court yesterday sentenced Salman Dib Rahim of Akbara village near Safad to six years' imprisonment for supplying Lebanese intelligence with I.D.F. data and information on army-employed Arabs.

Rahim, 27, crossed into Lebanon near Kibbutz Sasa last June, was picked up by Lebanese troops and handed over to their intelligence branch. He spent one month there, disclosing information on Israeli army bases in the North and Arabs working in them, the court was told.

At the end of his stay there, he accepted a job spying for Lebanon, and infiltrated back into Israel.

LOD AIRPORT PASSENGER FEES will be raised from IL12.50 to IL15.00 starting January 1, it was announced yesterday.

Lotto winners

TEL AVIV. — The winning six numbers in the Lotto are 13, 22, 30, 31, 32, 36, Mifal Hapayis announced yesterday. The additional number (which participants add by themselves) was 09.

A total of IL835,417.50 will be distributed in prizes. The first prize, of IL160,790 will be divided among all those who guessed six correct numbers; the second prize, of IL20,855 will be divided among all those who guessed five correct numbers plus the correct "additional" number.

The third prize, of IL2,658, will be divided among all those who got five right numbers. The fourth prize, of IL33,542, will be divided among all those who got four right numbers; the fifth prize, of IL167,084, goes to those who guessed three right numbers.



Closed lands said mostly uncultivated

JERUSALEM POST KNESSET REPORTER
Most of the lands closed off by the Army, between Azariya village and Maale Edumim (on the Jerusalem-Jericho highway) are uninhabited and uncultivated State lands, Defence Minister Moshe Dayan said in the Knesset yesterday. He was replying to a question from Shalom Cohen (Independent). The Minister ignored that part of the question concerning the purpose of the closure — and in particular whether the lands were intended for urban settlement.

Mr. Dayan told Uri Avnery (Ha'olam Hazeh) that the Knesset Finance Committee would shortly have a chance to discuss plans for Israel Aircraft Industries to set up a plant in Belgium. The plan was to disclose information on Israeli army bases in the North and Arabs working in them, the court was told.

He told Shmuel Mikunis (Communist) that the Military Government had not forbidden West Bank mayors to take part in a protest meeting this month in Jerusalem, about the Tomb of the Patriarchs in Hebron. The mayors were told that it was inadvisable to hold a meeting aimed to cause tension between the Arabs of the areas and the Military Government, the Minister said.

Object to pharmacy in East Jerusalem

Three East Jerusalem pharmacy owners yesterday won an order nisi from the High Court of Justice barring the opening of another pharmacy in their area. The ruling ordered the Health Ministry to show reason within 14 days why it should not revoke the licence of the new establishment.

The owners of Petra, Azzahra and Central pharmacies, all in the Salaheddin Street area, had appealed against the licensing last month of a new shop, Balsam, claiming it was harming their trade.

The appellants claimed Balsam infringed on the law banning pharmacies from being opened within 500 metres of each other. (Itim)

Head for Anglo-Israeli association



Michael Hadow

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

A former British official to Israel, Michael Hadow has been appointed director of the Anglo-Israeli Association, an organization dedicated to the promotion and cooperation of the two countries.

Kenneth Lindsay, coming from public life in the Foreign Service, was Mr. Lindsay, who served as a Member of the Admiralty for 17 years under three Prime Ministers. He has also served as Ambassador to the United Kingdom from 1945 until the beginning of the Suez Crisis. He is expected to take up his post with the Anglo-Israeli Association early in February.

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'MODERN QUEEN BIANCA' Mrs. Meir 'can't expect official welcome' in Paris

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
PARIS. — The official Gaullist daily "La Nation" yesterday underlined the French government's embarrassment over Mrs. Golda Meir's January visit here by emphasizing that she would not be received by President Pompidou or other government leaders.

Mrs. Meir will attend the Socialist International meeting here on January 13 and 14. "La Nation" said: "Obviously the public figures who decide to accept an invitation from an opposition party during an election period should not expect to be given even the slightest official welcome in France, even if they are heads of government in their own country."

Political observers here yesterday speculated that Mrs. Meir's visit might spoil prospects for a later, official visit

by Foreign Minister Abba Eban. French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann has refused to condone any denial reports that Mr. Eban will be coming here in the spring.

The independent newspaper "Combat" commented: "The Israeli Premier could have followed the example of Chancellor Brandt who has been extremely discreet in his reluctance to interfere in French domestic affairs."

"But of course Mrs. Meir has a habit of not taking account of the advice which she is given and of acting only according to her own whims as if she was the 'Blanca of Castile' of the Israeli state."

Queen Blanca of France, a former Spanish princess and mother of the King known as Saint Louis, is notorious in French history as the archetype of the headstrong woman in politics.

East German speeds past napping guards

HOF, Germany (AP). — A 19-year-old East German electrician caught Communist border guards napping early yesterday and rammed his speeding automobile through three border barriers on the Berlin-Hof Autobahn to escape into West Germany, Bavarian state police reported.

Not realizing that he had already crossed the border, the refugee kept his foot on the gas and shattered another Autobahn crossing gate manned by Bavarian border police. The police gave chase to the battered car.

When they finally caught up with the electrician, his first question was: "Am I in West Germany?" Assured that he was, he gave a sigh of relief.

"Apparently the entire East German guard detachment was asleep. There was no reaction at all on the other side," a police spokesman said.

The refugee, who gave personal and political grounds for his escape, told police he took advantage of the pre-dawn fog and a let-up in the Christmas holiday traffic to make his escape.



A Red Cross volunteer consoles a woman injured in the Managua earthquake as she is treated in an improvised hospital set up in front of the badly damaged general hospital. (AP radiophoto)

NICARAGUA QUAKE

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General said roughly an area of 40 by 8 blocks will be razed "because the thousands of dead buried beneath the rubble pose a threat to the living."

Troops guarding key parts of Managua opened fire on people defying martial law and dusk-to-dawn curfew to try to loot the supermarkets. The U.S. Air Force field hospital reported receiving four persons shot while looting.

American sappers and Nicaraguan army engineers moved about the city leveling tottering walls. At the seriously damaged central hospital, patients camped out in the back yard among boxes containing medical supplies from many countries.

Here, three Roman Catholic nuns sat yesterday around a makeshift table rolling bandages.

"It was our saddest Christmas," one nun said. "But many of the people felt closer to God. They felt like Mary and Joseph on Christmas Eve, looking for a room in the inn."

In Tegucigalpa, capital of neighboring Honduras, the Central American news service said a new earthquake struck Managua yesterday. It quoted an amateur radio operator in Managua as reporting that the new quake had an intensity of six on the open-ended Richter scale.

Tons of food and relief supplies piled up at Managua airport yesterday. But diplomatic sources said organization and transport problems had hindered the distribution of food from the U.S. and other countries. And the people here still grew hungry.

Diplomatic sources said the

Nicaraguan government was considering moving at least temporarily to Leon, 85 kms. from here.

General Anastasio Somoza, Nicaragua's strongman and former President, said on Monday night the greatest problem was the food shortage. "We had a drought before this disaster and to top it all there are now 250,000 people without jobs," he said.

General Somoza said a decision on whether to rebuild Managua on the same site would be based on geological studies.

He has been appointed president of an emergency committee charged with organizing the relief program, and with the subsequent reconstruction of Managua if this is undertaken.

Meanwhile, a broad-scale international relief effort was under way. From MacDill Air Force Base, Florida, a procession of U.S. air force cargo planes carried relief supplies to Nicaragua.

Other U.S. military planes, carrying water purification units, plasma, anti-tetanus serum, tents, stretchers, cots and water trailers, also left for Nicaragua.

A team of doctors and nurses left Madrid on Monday, carrying medical supplies and plasma. A Royal Air Force plane left Britain the same day with medical supplies. The British government and private charities have allocated more than \$90,000 for emergency aid.

The French Defence Ministry sent an emergency medical unit of doctors, a surgical ward and 50 hospital beds. The German Red Cross sent 1,000 tents and 10,000 blankets on a special relief flight. (Reuter, UPI)

1973 INTAKE CUT BY 30,000 Australia to abolish racial policy on immigrants

GRIFFITH, New South Wales (Reuter). — Australia's recently elected Labour government is to abolish racial considerations in the selection of immigrants, new immigration minister Albert Grassby said yesterday.

Speaking from his home, Mr. Grassby said that it was his government's policy "to cut out these invidious aspects" of the previous Liberal-Country party administration's policy, which has been described as the "White Australia policy."

"We will not set one family against the other — geographically, legally, or emotionally — because of the colour of their skin," he said.

Under the previous government, a limit of 10,000 non-white immigrants was allowed into Australia each year. These had to pay their own way.

In future, non-Caucasians applying for assisted passages would be judged on their qualifications and likelihood of "blending" into Australian society.

In a press statement yesterday, Mr. Grassby announced a general review of his country's immigration programme adding that the projected intake for 1973-4 had been cut from 140,000 to 110,000. Mr. Grassby stressed that future

immigration would be synchronized to labour needs in Australia. "Australia must show a new, independent face to the world if we are to play a proper role, even in our own region," he said.

He said his government was concerned at the number of settlers leaving Australia. To stem this, the new administration would improve selection overseas. Assistance to new arrivals during their early years of settlement would also be increased.

The Labour government ousted the Liberal-Country party coalition in federal elections on December 2.

7½ years' jail for publishing Trotsky
ISTANBUL (Reuter). — Turkish publisher Bulent Habora has been sentenced to 7½ years' imprisonment with hard labour for publishing Trotsky's "the permanent revolution."

The civilian court passing sentence on Monday also ordered that he spend 2½ years' exile in the western Turkish town of Kutahya on completion of his prison term.

Habora, 32, has published several left-wing magazines. Publication of works which propagate Communism has long been a criminal offence in Turkey.

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Moslem activists shoot down Philippines air force plane

MANILA (AP). — Moslem dissidents shot down a Philippines air force transport plane and its crew of seven during fighting on Christmas Eve in "an increasingly tense situation" in Southern Sulu province, the Philippine military said yesterday.

Lt. Col. George Abando, chief spokesman of the Defence department, said the transport plane, a two-engine C-47, was shot down Christmas Eve over Tomuli island, 958 kms. south of Manila, when some 100 armed Moslems tried to overrun an eight-man armed forces detachment.

The report, which said the fate of the seven men was still unknown, came as military authorities revealed continuing fighting between the military and Moslem dissidents, numerous attacks on military units by armed Moslem bands, growing casualty lists on both sides and an increasing refugee problem in the combat areas.

President Ferdinand Marcos said in a brief statement he had evidence that "foreign trained troops" were fighting on the Moslem side.

Brig. G.A. Pecache, assistant chief of staff for home defence, said at least 48 Filipino soldiers had been killed in fighting against Moslems since September. The figure did not include the missing.

Moslem casualties were placed at 92 dead, but unofficial reports reaching Manila from the south gave much higher figures.

Fighting between Moslem bands and the armed forces in the South era Philippines has been going on sporadically since Marcos declared martial law on September 22 as he began a postwar campaign to disarm private armies and other by rounding up unregistered firearms.

The Moslems have generally refused to surrender their arms to the predominantly Christian military. Pecache said the military has managed to collect only 1.5 weapons in Sulu, an area with nearly a million population. Pri to martial law, the military estimated nearly 30,000 high-powered weapons were in the area.

U.S. may delay signing of Soviet gas pact

WASHINGTON (AP). — Conclusion of a \$40,000m, 25-year pact to import Soviet natural gas into the U.S. will be delayed until the spring while the Nixon Administration reviews whether it is needed, the "Washington Post" said yesterday.

The pact was to have been signed this month.

The "Post" quoted high Administration sources as saying both the government and the six U.S. companies promoting the prospective pact have cooled on the project.

Among the reasons are doubts that Siberian gas reserves are as large as the Russians claim and the refusal of the Soviet government to permit independent testing of the deposits.

In addition, the "Post" sources said, there were second thoughts about the high cost of the Soviet gas (about \$1.50 per 1,000 cubic feet compared to the current U.S. price of 20 cents per 1,000 cubic feet) and about the national security impact of excessive U.S. reliance on Soviet Union gas.

Six American companies announced November 3, they expected to sign an agreement before the end

of 1973 on construction of a pipeline from Siberia to Murmansk, the Barents Sea. Another pipeline was to link Siberia with the Pacific coast.

The Administration hasn't ruled out Soviet gas imports, the "Post" source said, but cheaper gas may be obtained from Nigeria, Venezuela and other areas.

KGB warns Pano on overseas phone calls

NEW YORK (INA). — The National Conference on Soviet Jewry reported yesterday it had learned that Valery Pano, the ousted member of the Kirov ballet, and Leon Tarasuk, former curator of the Hermitage Museum of Leningrad, had been summoned by the K.G.B. secret police and warned they would be prosecuted for "stirring up state" if they did not stop making overseas calls for assistance.

Both have attracted attention and interest from figures in the arts in other countries who have sent appeals and expressions of support on their behalf to Soviet officials.

The conference said Pano had been told he could perform in provincial towns but not in Leningrad. His wife, Galena Rogozhina, a ballerina who is not Jewish, and his daughter, who is Jewish, were demoted and resigned in protest, was told she could perform in Leningrad but not while she was under the "bad influence" of her husband, the conference said.

Syrian Cabinet takes the oath

DAMASCUS (Reuter). — Syrian Prime Minister Mahmoud al-Ayoubi and members of the new Syrian government took the constitutional oath of office yesterday before President Hafez al-Assad.

Mr. Ayoubi formed his government of 30 ministers early on Sunday following the resignation of Prime Minister Abdel-Rahman Khleifawi for health reasons.

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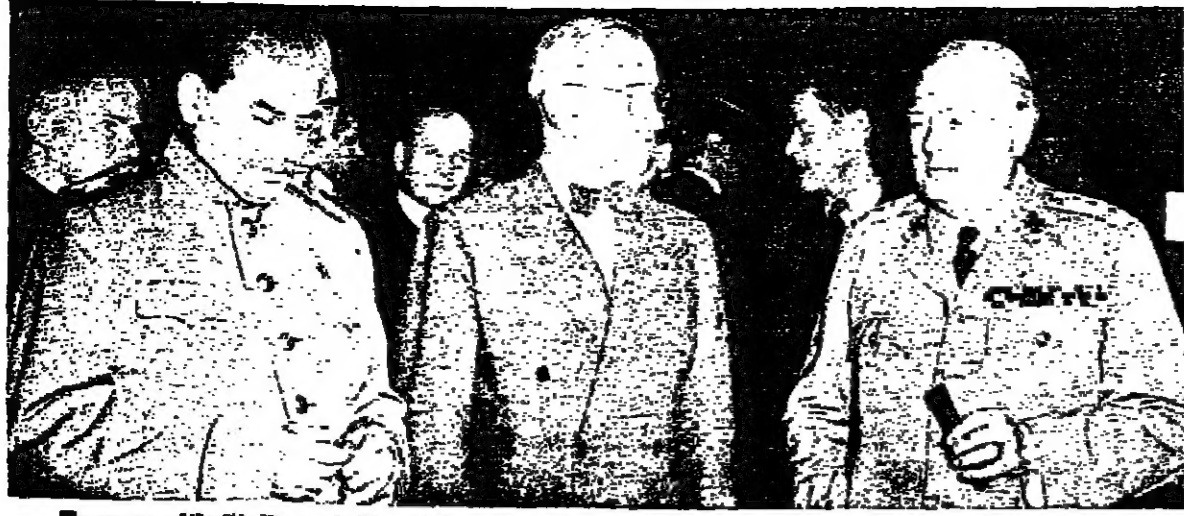
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Truman with Stalin and Churchill in Potsdam, in 1945 — "Few men in any period have been called upon to make so many stark decisions."

FULFILMENT OF AN AMERICAN IDEAL

By ALASTAIR BUCHAN

THE career of Harry Truman, President of the United States for eight of the most vigorous years of its history, is perhaps one of the truest expressions of the American dream since that of Abraham Lincoln.

The rise of the poor Missouri farm-boy through the ruck of local politics to the highest office in the land fulfilled an American ideal that remains deeply rooted in its history. The decisiveness with which he acknowledged the role of the U.S. in the post-war world, the doggedness with which he served more or less intact the great social aims of the New Deal, and the courage with which he — an ex-Senator — resisted the machinations of Congress upon the power the President, reflected those qualities of leadership that the institution of the Presidency was created to provide.

Few Presidents — few public men of any age — had a less suspicious start to their career. The son of an unsuccessful farmer and speculator, whose financial difficulties led his son's heart's desire, a college education, to short-sightedly contemplate his early ambitions, West Point and the Army, early life seemed to mark him off as a part of the unhappy lot of his generation.

From his early political career under the aegis of the corrupt Pendergast machine in Missouri City, and as an unflinching back-bencher in the Senate, gave little promise of the greatness that was to be his.

It was his chairmanship during the trial of the Senate Committee investigating the defence contracts, an example of the presidential investigative technique at its best, that he was an unknown figure when he was nominated as Roosevelt's Vice-President, a harmless compromise candidate, chosen to neutralize the irreconcilable ambitions of other famous figures.

Roosevelt took no trouble to keep him in the past or current decisions of high importance; his only experience of the world at large had been the command of an artillery battery in France in 1917-18; he neither knew nor cared for Churchill, Stalin, or the key figures of the moment. But in 1945 Roosevelt died suddenly, and within a month Truman had to take momentous decisions: the Potsdam conference, the convening of the San Francisco conference on the United Nations; above all, whether to drop the atom bomb on Japan.

18 months after the end of the war experience was manifest: he was naive to Russian intentions; he could not maintain the momentum of Roosevelt's leadership; he was distrustful of the intellectual but was able to replace them with men of calibre. The low point was reached with the dropping of the atomic bomb on Japan, the European Recovery Programme, the decision to proceed with the hydrogen bomb when his technical advisers were divided to resist aggression in Korea (which he himself regarded as the toughest decision of them all) — all these involved bitter alternatives.

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On a visit to his home town, Missouri — "his early life seemed to mark him off as a part of the unhappy lot of his generation."

pointment of General Marshall as Secretary of State, and the launching of the Marshall Plan, the U.S. developed a positive foreign policy for the 'cold war' which the public and the Allies could accept and follow.

Truman laid no claim to have laid the foundations that produced the flowering of American leadership between 1948 and 1952, and he paid generous tributes to the minds of those who did — General Marshall, Dean Acheson, Averill Harriman and others. What he provided was the quality of decision and support which made his Administration in many ways a more memorable one than that of the more far-sighted Roosevelt, the more experienced Eisenhower, or the more sophisticated Kennedy.

Truman possessed in abundance four qualities: decisiveness and courage; an immense capacity for hard work, a burning sense of loyalty to his associates, and a sense of history. It was the first of these that he had to draw on most heavily.

Few men in any period of history have been called upon to make so many stark decisions. The dropping of the atomic bomb on Japan, the European Recovery Programme, the decision to proceed with the hydrogen bomb when his technical advisers were divided to resist aggression in Korea (which he himself regarded as the toughest decision of them all) — all these involved bitter alternatives.

"Within the first few months," he later

wrote, "I discovered that being President is like a man riding a tiger. He has to keep on riding or be swallowed."

Similarly, it took the starkest courage to reassert the principle of civilian control by dismissing General MacArthur in 1951. It was his courage that enabled him to fight and win the elections of 1948 when both the Right and the Left-wing of the Democratic Party had deserted him, and even his most confidential advisers were telling him that he had no hope of success.

Few Presidents worked harder than Truman. He once told an American journalist that during his first 18 months in office he read 30,000 words a night of State papers and background documents. It was thus that he overcame the disadvantages of his earlier career, and acquired his remarkable grasp of contemporary affairs.

Few famous men have been more loyal to their friends and subordinates, good or bad, or have won such devoted loyalty from them. This was true not only of men such as Marshall or Acheson when they fell foul of Congress or the public. It was also true of the less savoury associates of his past: he was prepared to risk the most intense unpopularity when as Vice-President in 1945 he attended the funeral of his former patron, Tom Pendergast, even though in the interim Pendergast had served a long jail sentence.

He possessed in strong measure, also, the defects of these qualities. Decisiveness and courage too easily developed into pugnacity, which made his relations with his various Congresses, Democratic and Republican, unnecessarily bad. It made him too ready to indulge in controversy for its own sake, and to divide the nation unnecessarily, which damaged his liberal domestic policy.

But there was no darker side to his encyclopaedic, late-acquired knowledge of American and world history. It was his sense of historical continuity and parallel that enabled him to grasp so firmly the implications of America's succession to Britain as the leading Western Power. It was his knowledge of American political history, not personal arrogance or conscious recidivism, that made him assert so doggedly the powers and prerogatives of the Presidency. He grasped, as all great Presidents have done, that strong leadership in the U.S. cannot be wielded if the President confines himself only to those areas of federal authority enumerated in the Constitution.

Truman had many of Lincoln's attributes, and he had Lincoln's courage and his respect for ideas. He lacked, however, Lincoln's and Roosevelt's power to sway men's minds, for he was a poor orator and had little skill with words. But his career, despite his failures at home, remains the essential affirmation of American democracy, of the ability of the ordinary man to grasp high destiny. (O/ps)

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(An article on Truman and Israel by L.L. Kenen of Washington will appear in Friday's Jerusalem Post Magazine)

Eban: Truman helped mankind raise its head

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Foreign Minister Abba Eban yesterday summed up his view of Truman's life work as a statesman: "He helped a tormented humanity to stand on its feet and to raise its head high once again."

There were four "crucial occasions," Mr. Eban said in a radio interview, on which President Truman exercised the weight of his office and prestige on behalf of the Jewish people and of Israel:

- In 1945 "he raised his voice loud and clear for opening the gates of Palestine to 100,000 Jews, survivors of the Holocaust. It was the pressure of this demand... that set up the international momentum that developed after World War II, and which culminated in the establishment of the State of Israel."
- In 1947, Harry Truman gave the full support of the U.S. for the partition of Palestine and the establishment of a Jewish state within it.
- The third occasion was on the 14th of May, 1948... "the hour of greatest peril and danger for the sheer physical survival of our nation... It was in that moment that Truman affirmed his faith in Israel's survival by a solemn act of recognition."
- "The fourth occasion spread over several years from 1948 until the end of his presidency in January 1953. Truman was one of those who sponsored Israel's admission to the U.N. in May 1949." And it was he who inaugurated the great and moving chapter of American economic and social aid to Israel, by proposing to Congress... the allotment of large sums in grants-in-aid.

In his frequent contacts with Truman and his closest advisers as Israel's Ambassador to Washington during his presidency, Mr. Eban was impressed by Truman's strong instinct for history. "He was full of awe and respect for the mystery of Jewish persistence in its historic journey."

There cannot be any doubt, the Foreign Minister concluded, that it was Truman who laid the foundations of American-Israeli friendship.



Truman played a significant part in helping bring about the establishment of the State of Israel. Here Israel's first President, Chaim Weizmann, right, presents a Torah scroll to the then U.S. President.

Past, present leaders pay tribute to Truman

By United Press International

Past and present leaders of Western Europe joined yesterday in heaping warm tributes on Harry S. Truman, the statesman whose decisions changed the course of history — and Truman, the frank and courageous fighter in the face of adversity.

First reactions from the Communist bloc — which regarded Truman as the architect of the Cold War — were restrained. Tass, the Soviet news agency, reported his death without comment. ADN, the East German agency, said the 1947 Truman Doctrine led to the Cold War.

Greece, which erected a statue to Truman in his lifetime, especially remembered him for the doctrine issued March 12, 1947, to permit U.S. aid to shore up the Greek government and prevent the nation falling to Communist control.

In a message on behalf of the nation, Premier George Papadopoulos said Truman by his actions "distinguished himself as one of the greatest American Presidents and as a personality of world fame and influence."

In a separate message to President Nixon, Papadopoulos said "his decision to help our country in its efforts to maintain national independence and its ideals after the Second World War left deep traces not only in Greek history, but also in the history of the world."

DEFENCE OF FREEDOM

West German Chancellor Willy Brandt cabled Nixon, "We mourn a statesman who courageously committed himself to the defence of freedom. With gratitude we recall the generous and far-sighted aid given to Europe and in particular to the German people within the framework of the Marshall Plan."

"This aid was decisive in making the construction of a new democratic Germany possible. The memory of American President Harry S. Truman will always remain alive in Germany."

To Mrs. Truman Brandt cabled, "After the war, with courage and great responsibility he helped Europe and the German people build

a democratic order out of the chaos. This act assures him a place in history and in the hearts of the European peoples."

Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister in 1948, said, "I was the only one to bet on the re-election of the President. He was a simple, frank and courageous man. Some people made fun of this simplicity but I always admired his integrity, his judgement and the foreign policy he inspired."

British historian Arnold Toynbee called Truman "a very honest man, a very brave man. His dealing with Gen. MacArthur and his wounding up of the Korean War was very brave and his expression 'The buck stops here' was typical of him."

But Toynbee voiced old British misgivings of Truman's handling of Palestine. "If I had any criticism of him it would be that he almost bullied Britain over the Palestine question, rather forced our hand. But every statesman makes mistakes," Toynbee said.

Dr. M.T. Mehd, Secretary-General of the Action Committee on American-Arab relations, said Truman's recognition of Israel "planted the seeds of perpetual war in the Middle East. The people of Palestine will never forgive Mr. Truman for what he did to them."

RECONSTRUCTION

In a message to Giovanni Leone cabled Nixon that Truman was a man who "took a decisive action for the economic reconstruction of Europe after the war and for the defence of democracy, of independence and of freedom of the people in Europe and the world."

He said Truman "was a worthy interpreter of the solidarity of the American nation toward Italy."

Queen Elizabeth of England, who met Truman when he spent 10 days in England in 1956, said he will always be remembered with gratitude for his part in the creation of the Marshall Plan, which did so much to help Britain and the rest of Europe to recover from the ravages of war.

The Queen's message to Nixon was signed "Elizabeth R." She also sent a private message to Mrs. Truman, and officials said British Ambassador Lord Cromer will represent the Queen at the national memorial service in Washington.

Lord Avon, the former Sir Anthony Eden, said, "President Truman was certainly one of the great Presidents of the United States. He was unassuming but wise in judgement and firm in action."

"As a British friend who was proud to work with him I grieve at the passing of a forthright and staunch ally," Avon said.

Lyndon Johnson, now America's only living ex-President, said of his fellow Democrat: "A 20th century giant is gone."

"Few men of any times ever shaped the world as did the man from Independence," Johnson commented. "President Truman presided over the destiny of this century during one of its most turbulent eras, never flinching in the face of crucial national choices... He had his critics and detractors, but history is just and Harry Truman will live on in the memory of free people as one of the greatest men to lead freedom's cause."

Joseph Luns, Secretary-General of Nato, which was set up under Truman's presidency to contain Soviet expansion, cabled Nixon: "It was Harry Truman's historic declaration of March 12, 1947, which inspired the Atlantic countries to join together to resist any subjugation or outside pressure and gave impetus to the postwar development of Western Europe, and it was during his presidency that the North Atlantic Treaty itself was signed."

"For all of us in Europe and in the North Atlantic Council, Harry Truman will remain one of the leaders to whom we owe the life of the alliance and the 23 years of peace in Europe which it has helped to sustain," Luns said.

Nixon: He was 'a man with guts'

KEY BISCAYNE, Florida (AP). — President Nixon on Tuesday bade farewell in the name of the American people to former President Harry S. Truman and called him "one of the most courageous Presidents in our history."

"Our hopes today for a generation of peace rest in large measure on the firm foundations that he laid."

"He was a fighter, who was at his best when the going was toughest. Like all political leaders, he had his friends and his opponents. But friends and opponents alike were unanimous in respecting him for his enormous courage and for the spirit that saw him through whatever the odds. Whether in a political campaign or making the great decisions in foreign policy, they recognized and admired him — in a description he himself might have appreciated the most — as a man with 'guts.'"

"Embroiled in controversy during his presidency, his stature in the eyes of history has risen steadily ever since. He did what had to be done, when it had to be done, and because he did, the world is a better and safer place — and generations to come will be in his debt."

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E. EUROPE JEWRY — THE FORECAST IS PRECARIOUS

THE American Jewish Committee has been probing the Jewish scene of the future. It turned to experts in various fields and established what it called "task forces" to forecast the face of world Jewry in the 1970s. The original reports by the experts are to be published in book form. The three "task forces" dealt with inter-group relations in America, the American Jewish community, and international affairs. Overall summaries were prepared in each case and in one instance, that of international affairs, have now been published as a booklet under the title "The World of the 1970s: A Jewish Perspective." It is an unexciting document containing a high proportion of the obvious.

For example, concerning Eastern Europe, the prognostication is that major changes in the Jewish situation are unlikely. "Eastern Europe will remain firmly in the Soviet orbit and the Warsaw Pact will remain the symbol and instrument of Soviet policy," we are told. As for the Jews, "the fate of the East European Jews will depend primarily and directly on governmental policy in particular countries, though Soviet policies and politics will play an important part everywhere." The situation of the Jews will remain precarious: they will suffer any unhappy fate that might befall the general population. "Anti-Zionism" will remain official policy and an active propaganda theme almost everywhere and varying degrees of official and semi-official anti-Semitic repression will continue. A low birth rate, emigration where possible, and assimilation provide a dim prospect for prolonged healthy Jewish life in Eastern Europe.



Geoffrey Wigoder's **JEWISH SCENE**

violations of the rights of Jews and even impel the Soviet authorities to permit the emigration of some. To this end it is important that Jews elsewhere keep the world informed about the fate of East European Jewry.

In Latin America, we are told, the welfare of the Jews will depend on political, economic, and social developments in the various countries, which in turn will be affected by regional and world forces and events. Most of the Jews in Latin America belong to the prosperous middle class. Despite widespread ignorance, Church-inspired prejudice, class and racial distinctions, and cultural anti-Semitism, there has been little official, overt anti-Semitism. Jews have distinguished themselves in their identity, and strongly supported the State of Israel. Lately there have been political changes with leftist trends, a loss in influence by the Church, a mood of disorder among students and workers. Movement to the left has brought some pro-Arab sentiment and support and some governments have relaxed their support for Israel. The net result has been to make Latin American Jews of the middle and merchant class apprehensive. The deep crisis in Argentina may bring radical change; the future of Brazil and Mexico is uncertain. Apart from economic worries, fear of anti-Semitism is not far below the surface.

East-West relations

In general, the welfare of Jews in Eastern Europe will be affected by East-West relations as well as by the China factor. Improvements in East-West relations will be good for the Jews and could lead to a relaxation of unofficial hostility. Tension with the West could intensify suspicion against the Jews in view of their ties with the West. Developments in the Middle East may also deeply affect Jewish welfare in Eastern Europe. But not even a real settlement will bring ease, especially in the Soviet Union, where the authorities will continue to see Jewish identity as un-Russian and Jewish culture as tainted with anti-socialist religion. World opinion, the U.N. and human rights organizations will be no more successful than in the past in stopping routine mistreatment of Jews and the suppression of Jewish culture, but they can help prevent dramatic

Kiryat Yam wants municipal status

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA — The local council of Kiryat Yam has applied to the Ministry of the Interior for municipal status, Chairman Benjamin Elrat has announced.

He pointed out that according to the population census of last June, the town now has 20,800 residents. This is more than the population of Kiryat Gat or Afula — both of which have municipal status, he said.

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Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS
3. Joke (5)
10. Navigational aid (5)
11. Form of a verb (5)
12. Flowering tree (5)
13. Mad (7)
14. Mad (7)
15. Laundry rooms (5)
16. Fervent - adverb (5)
17. Who enjoys cruelty (5)
18. Car (5)
19. Peak (4)
20. Scream (7)
21. Waver (5)
22. Sumbur (3)
23. Merry outing (5)
24. Commanded (7)
25. Aircraft (5)
26. Tree (3)
27. Ghastly (5)
28. Rictus (5)
29. Dedicated (5)

DOWN
1. Ornamental headpiece (5)
2. Vindicated (7)
3. Pashionable (4)
4. Noisy quarrel (5)
5. Embroidered (5)
6. Shouts (5)
7. Age (3)
8. Not so heavy (7)
9. Road - purifying material (5)
10. Furious (5)
11. Drumming (5)
12. Rhythm (7)
13. Printing matter (5)
14. Do good to (7)
15. Arouse (5)
16. Possessed (3)
17. Duelling swords (5)
18. Lobe-swarm (5)
19. Decree (5)
20. On a single occasion (5)
21. Edge (3)

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS
3. Take up to break up (5)
8. Scripture in which there's no ark (5)
10. Milky fluid mainly consumed by men (5)
11. One of the first naval deities (5)
12. Result of butchering Keats (5)
13. With which the composer can say good-bye (7)
14. Look at (5)
15. For example, have nothing on (5)
16. Live post? (5)
17. Tolerant leaning up the red book (7)
18. Breathe carefully (4)
19. What's about sheep? (4)
20. He's nothing less than a genius (7)

DOWN
1. Car's girl? (7)
2. Latin holiday? (7)
3. Information provided by a student's father (4)
4. Actor as if one had hooked a line? (5)
5. Accepts a film with thanks (5)
6. Lusted to only one in a group (5)
7. Open air in a car another way (5)
8. Was bent on conquest (7)
9. Back in time (5)
10. Given a hand out not at all (5)
11. Can one be talked into seeing by (5)
12. "Come in," "Come in" (2-5)
13. Down which soldiers pour their drinks? (5)
14. Mixed with a handle (5)
15. Big clean, in front and behind (7)
16. Sneeze spelling of a name (5)
17. The object of amateur militancy (5)
18. Little bird (5)
19. Tobacco plants (5)
20. Such preachers have much travelled masters (5)
21. See notes arrived (4)
22. He's nothing less than a genius (7)
23. Is fine from the lower (5)

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON FRIDAY

Seminar on high cost of health
Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEERSHEBA — An International symposium on new approaches to health care facilities opens here today, at the University of the Negev. Some 100 medical professionals, including 11 specialists from abroad, will participate in the three-day seminar on the problem of putting hospital care within the budget of everyone. It is sponsored by the Batsheva de Rothschild Foundation for the Advancement of Science.

One of the foreign participants will be Dr. Philip Lee, chairman of the University of California School of Medicine, San Francisco, who will be the principal referent in a session entitled "What are the alternatives?"

Dr. Lee was assistant secretary of health and scientific affairs in the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare during the Johnson administration.

The sole woman among the overseas participants is Prof. Gerry A. Johnson, chairman of the Division of Occupational Therapy at Sargent College of Allied Health Professions, Boston University.

The sessions will be in English.

ONE IN 100,000

BRIDGE

By George Levinew

IT happened in Haifa, at the Abba Khouby Cup Tournament. Two deals back to back had an eight card club suit in the second. By my rough estimate such an occurrence takes place once in 100,000 times.

Deal 1
Love all

NORTH (D)
♠ 8
♥ A 7
♦ A 7
♣ A K Q J 10 8 6 5

WEST
♠ 5 4 3
♥ J 8 4
♦ 7 6 5
♣ 4 3

EAST
♠ Q 7
♥ K Q 9 8 5 3
♦ A K 8 7 6 5
♣ 10

SOUTH
♠ A K J 10 9 8
♥ 10 8
♦ A Q 10
♣ 9 7

Where should this hand be played? It was played 24 times, and most of the field, regardless of system, were in a slam contract. Surprisingly, seven pairs did not bid a slam. There were 13 tricks on top and the 13th was in the ♣ bag since the ♠ Q would work and the ♠ Q finesse was on side. There are those who push for the maximum and two pairs bid seven and made it without trouble. At the six level 6 NT is the best score. One poor soul—for whatever silly reason—followed West-West to play in a 1 ♣ contract which was made!!!

Deal 2
S Vul

NORTH
♠ A 7 6 5
♥ A 7 6 5
♦ J 8 7
♣ J 8 7

WEST
♠ K 9 8
♥ K 8 4
♦ K 7 5 3
♣ 10 9

EAST (D)
♠ Q 10 9 8 7 6 5
♥ 10 8 7 6 5
♦ 10 8 7 6 5
♣ A

SOUTH
♠ 6
♥ A 7 5
♦ A K 8 7 6 5
♣ A K Q 7 6 5

On this deal the optimum contract is 6 ♣, but only 12 pairs were in a slam. Two pairs were set one trick in 6 ♣ and one pair was set one trick in 6 ♠. In 6 ♣ a ♠ lead should set the contract for declarer must lose a ♠ and a ♠. In 6 ♠ there is a pretty play for the lead the ♠ J can be established for the discard of the losing ♠, and only one ♠ trick will be lost. Assuming a ♠ lead, declarer wins with the Ace and tests clubs by leading the Ace. Since the clubs split he is assured of two ♠ entries into the dummy. He can play to the ♠ A, then ruff a ♠, play to the ♠ J in dummy and ruff another ♠, establishing the J. He

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LACKING TENSION

Music Review

WITH Brahms and Beethoven Sonatas providing conventional and secure opening and closing numbers, Mr. Fenyves included a more daring composition between the two — Bartok's Solo Sonata. This piece is not modern by contemporary standards, but having been written for a solo instrument and being of very great length, it nevertheless poses great difficulties for the listener.

In the Brahms Sonata Mr. Fenyves provided some well-rounded playing, but the performance as a whole did not offer anything really exciting.

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Bach draws the crowds

The Israel Chamber Ensemble: Gary Beersheba, conductor; Hillel Genter, Bech, Baritone (The Jerusalem Theatre, December 25). All-Bach Programme: Brandenburg Concerto No. 1, Gavotte No. 2; Concerto for Two Violins; Suite No. 2.

BACH is a great attraction for our audiences, and the packed hall — with many young people in the crowd — was again proof of this appeal. The opening Brandenburg Concerto produced some extraordinarily fine and reliable playing from the horn players (Glenn Radtke, Eli and Dan Elroff). The oboe trio, ably led by Semadar Shazar, also made an impressive contribution to the Cantata.

The strings were unusually shaky, lacking precision in this piece, and honour goes to the wind instruments strongly supported by the bassoon in the various trios.

Hillel Genter Reikh, who has a warm, even voice and much musical understanding, showed complete identification with the work. Although the text irritates with its naive the music is consistently inspired.

Having listened to the Suite in B minor and to the Double Concerto on numerous occasions during the season (the last time just one night before), I did not stay for the second part of the programme, which was obviously put together in haste to fill a gap after the cancellation of the promised tour by the Berliner Konzert Chor.

YOCHANAN BOHEM

Democracy

DUPLICATION bridges is a democratic game. Any player, whether novice or expert, can usually play against any other player. However there is a generally dissatisfactory among the better players if there are too many novices in competition. The better players do not find this competition stimulating, and the results may be distorted if someone gets big scores against the beginners, while others playing the same hands against top-level players get only average results.

The Netanya Bridge Federation is trying to meet this problem and at the same time retain the democratic spirit. They have organized several graded sections in terms of proven ability, with the proviso that the bottom three pairs in a section are automatically transferred for the next tournament into the next lower section, while the top three pairs in a section move into the next higher section.

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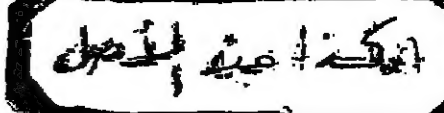
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Integration—the job of the settlers' federations

By Lea Lovavi
Jerusalem Post Reporter

WHEN a young woman immigrant asks an interviewer at the British and Australian Zionist Federation's Israel office what television is to buy, the interviewer knows it is another immigrant girl who is home alone every night.

Theoretically, the interviewers should shrug their shoulders and say, "That's really too bad, but it's not our problem." Social integration, for all, is the job of the settlers' federations — and of each new immigrant as an individual.

Zionist Federation interviewers can help the immigrant find work, occasionally make a phone call to help bureaucratic red tape and offer all mortgages and loans. They not find friends for the new immigrant. And yet, perhaps because the interviewers are women, they are willing to hear about personal problems and sympathize. "Socially with young single immigrants," one interviewer summed up, "I try to be mother substitutes to some extent. Their parents, after all, are far away."

had often heard that the British Australian Zionist Federation is a personal interest in each applicant and that the service there is courteous, swift, efficient and elevating non-bureaucratic. But as I sat in the interviewers' room and saw this for myself, I understood just what all this means.

Midam, the interviewer already was interviewing a 17-year-old girl who wanted a job as a mess. "Just as the employer you have got to ask them about them. I wouldn't want you to end in a house where the husband fresh with you or something, course, 99 times out of 100 is like that won't happen, but always best to keep a suspicious mind until you're sure."

BOILING MAD

"We don't like to criticize other organizations and institutions," Miriam said, "but there's one thing that gets us boiling mad. Why do children have to be punished for the sins of their fathers?" She was referring to the case of a young girl, born in Israel to temporary resident parents, who left the country at age 2. Now that she has decided to return on her own, she discovers that as an Israeli national she has no immigrants' rights.

"It wasn't her fault that she left. At the age of two, she couldn't have protested. Why do we have to follow the Biblical dictum about the sins of the fathers passing on to the coming generations?" But if she had remained in Israel all her life, she would not have immigrants' rights anyway. "Yes, but she would be a firmly established Israeli with ties here. In everything, except her passport, this girl is a new immigrant."

The Federation gives mortgages and loans to British and Australian immigrants; sometimes to supplement as if I were your own; but I won't nag you the four own man does. "You have got to ask them about them. I wouldn't want you to end in a house where the husband fresh with you or something, course, 99 times out of 100 is like that won't happen, but always best to keep a suspicious mind until you're sure."

LONG AND LONELY

Midam, who herself came here as a young girl, told the newcomer getting settled here may be a lonely business. "Don't be that you'll nag me too much to come here. Come whenever have something you want to about. Just pour out your own as if I were your own; but I won't nag you the four own man does. "You have got to ask them about them. I wouldn't want you to end in a house where the husband fresh with you or something, course, 99 times out of 100 is like that won't happen, but always best to keep a suspicious mind until you're sure."

judged individually. "Our home mortgages are usually IL10,000," Sarah, one of the interviewers in that department, told me. "But if we think an additional thousand could make the difference between successful and unsuccessful settlement, we will try to give the extra help."

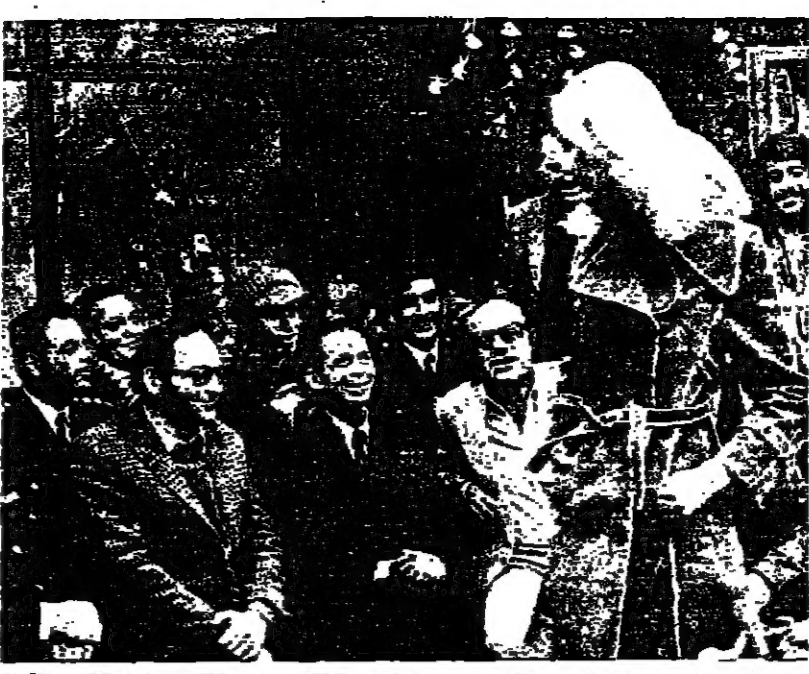
BONA FIDE

Sarah, who also processes requests for loans, had just spoken to a pregnant woman who needs a washing machine and other appliances now that a baby is expected. But her husband had just taken, and is beginning to pay off, a loan from the Federation. "I think this is a bona fide case," Sarah said.

IN talking to the director of the Federation's Israel office, Edie Lucas, I raised again the question of whether immigrants are overly pampered. Mr. Lucas had said his Federation could provide personalized attention which Britishers could not get from Absorption Ministry officials charged with helping immigrants from diverse backgrounds. I had seen this personalized attention and was impressed, but why was it needed? Would not this special treatment tend to accentuate the differences between immigrants and lower the heat in the melting pot?

"First of all, I think every immigrant, not only a British immigrant, needs advice and help from someone who came from his own country, speaks the same language and understands exactly how he feels. Apparently a lot of people agree with me. Otherwise, how do you explain that immigrants from every country have established their own settlers' associations? Besides, we can be an advocate for the immigrant in the large, unfamiliar bureaucracy and can supplement the help the government gives."

The Federation also works with tourists, offering them practical information about aliyah. "Until two years ago," explained Moshe Dubay, public relations director of the Israel Office, "most British tourists who came here had no relatives here. Today, almost everyone does, and therefore more are thinking seriously about aliyah."



Police Minister Shimon Harel enjoys a fashion show at Begeged Or during his trip to Migdal Haemek on Monday. On his left is Zvi Eldorati, chairman of the Migdal Haemek Local Council (directly behind the chairman is the Commander of the Nasareth District Police Jabr Jabris) and on the Police Minister's right is Zvi, Deputy Or's managing director, known far and wide as Mr. Begeged Or. (Israel Sun)

Child development centre at Sheba

By Macabee Dean
Jerusalem Post Reporter

I AM going to commit a cardinal sin—at least according to current fashion—and praise my parents." This was stated Sunday by Mr. James Weinberg, of New York, at the dedication of the ILM, Harold and Anna Weinberg Child Development Institute, at the Sheba Medical Centre. Present at the ceremony was the man praised, his father, Dr. Harold Weinberg, 83, a distinguished physician, from New York. However, his mother, Mrs. Anna Weinberg, was unable to attend due to ill health.

Mr. James Weinberg, who is a member of the board of the Joint Distribution Committee, which was influential in establishing the Centre, went on to "compound his cardinal sin." He recalled that three generations of thought had come to fruition in this building. The story started in the home of his maternal grandparents, the late Zvi Hirsch Maslansky, whose home became a centre for Jewish and Zionist affairs. In this home, and of course, in his father's, he and his two brothers had become imbued with the idea of service, as symbolized by this Institute.

Mr. Edward Ginsberg, Chairman of the American Joint Distribution Committee, declared that "Thousands of youngsters face a brighter, more normal future as a result of the services being offered by the network of child development institutes now being established." (Four others are already in operation, in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Beer-sheva, and Haifa and another two are planned, for Assaf Harofeh and Ashkelon Hospitals.)

NEEDLESS SUFFERING

"By detecting any abnormality at the earliest possible age and treating it immediately, many of the children would become seriously handicapped and thus public charges," he added. "They and their families can thus avoid needless suffering."

Donors dinner raises funds for day creche

By Ernie Meyer
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A TOTAL of IL21,000 was raised at a donor dinner held by the Sophie Udin Club of Pioneer Women at Beit Elitsha in Jerusalem on Monday. The money will be used to buy and renovate a dilapidated building in the Katamon Gimmel quarter, Mrs. Rivka Hurwich, the club's donations chairman, told the Post yesterday.

The club plans to raise IL150,000 to expand the building, which now houses a small kindergarten operated by Moetzet Hapoalet, into a complete day-care centre. At two previous donor dinners the club raised enough money to equip 21 nurseries and kindergartens in the city with much-needed heating systems, Mrs. Hurwich said.

The Sophie Udin Club has about 75 members, mostly from the U.S. and Canada.

The guest speaker at Monday's dinner was Government Secretary Michael Arnon.

WEE WOMEN



"Don't serve me any fish. Just the wine that goes with it."

★ ★ Cooking for one or two ★ ★

By Molly Lyons Bar-David

EVERY man is for two. If you are cooking for one you can freeze half of every dish for future use. Here are some main dishes of fish, poultry and meat.

Frozen Fish in Wine

1/2 kilo of frozen fish (or if you wish you can use any unfrozen fish), 1/2 tsp. butter, 1 small onion, 1 small green sweet pepper, 1 small tomato, dash of fish spice, salt and pepper to taste, 1/2 cup dry white wine, 1 tsp. margarine or butter (if you wish), 1 tbsp. grated yellow cheese, 1 tsp. parsley.

In a casserole spread the butter or margarine. Mix together the chopped onion, sweet pepper and tomato. Put the fish on the mixed vegetables and sprinkle on the fish spice, salt and pepper and the white wine. Top with little bits of margarine or butter and sprinkle on the grated cheese and the parsley. Bake in a moderate oven (350F) for about half an hour until the fish is ready. Can also be done in a wonder pot or in a heavy pan (use asbestos pad) on top of stove.

Baked Red Snapper

1/2 kilo of a Red Snapper or other fish, 1 tbsp. flour, dash of paprika, 2 tbsps. butter, 1 tsp. lemon juice, 2 tbsps. broken-up pecans or almonds, 1 tsp. chopped parsley, dash of golden soup powder.

Rub the fish with the flour and paprika and put it into a casserole with the butter all around it and then use the remaining butter melted added to the lemon juice and a dash of golden soup powder. Pour it over

the fish and top with the pecans or almonds. Bake in a moderate oven and after it is ready (about 20 to 30 minutes) sprinkle on chopped parsley.

Poultry Casserole

2 turkey drumsticks, 1/2 to 1 chicken drumsticks, 3 green onions sliced, 1 tsp. oil, 6 small sliced tomatoes, a hint either of basil or tarragon, 1/2 tin of corn kernels, 2 small potatoes sliced, 1 tsp. of chopped parsley, 180 to 185 grams of string beans (yellow or green), 1/2 cup ketchup, 3 tbsps. wine. Cover the drumsticks with water mixed with 1 teaspoon of chicken soup powder. Salt and pepper to taste.

Put the turkey or chicken drumsticks into a casserole. Sprinkle on the onions, the oil, the diced tomatoes, a hint of basil or tarragon. Then top with the corn kernels and the sliced potatoes around the corn. Mix the parsley with the cut up string beans and put in the centre. Top with the ketchup and wine. Then cover the drumsticks with water mixed with chicken soup powder. Bake the turkey drumsticks for at least two hours. The chicken drumsticks can be just over an hour. More water may be added to the turkey drumsticks before they are ready.

Chicken and Sweet Potatoes

1 kilo of a ready grilled chicken, a cup of cooked sweet potatoes and 1/2 cup orange juice, 1 tbsps. white wine, 1 tsp. cornflour, 2 tbsps. of orange-mandarin, 2 tbsps. honey (or if you wish 2 tbsps. marmalade), 4 peach halves (cut of a tin), 2 cloves, 4 tbsps. of rose wine.

Put the halved cut up grilled chicken into a casserole in the middle. Or if you wish have the whole chicken in it. Surround with the sweet potatoes and top with the orange-mandarin and the peach halves. Mix all the other ingredients together, pour over and bake in a moderate oven for about half an hour.

Beef Stroganoff

1/2 kilo cubed beef, 3 tbsps. flour, 3 tbsps. oil, 1 finely chopped small onion, 1 small clove of crushed garlic, 1/2 cup of fresh mushrooms and bring it to a boil with 1/2 cup of water, 1/2 cup of water (to which you can add 1 tsp. of beef soup powder), 1 bay leaf, salt and pepper to taste, 1/2 cup parvee cream mixed with juice of 1/2 lemon, dash of paprika, plain boiled rice as needed, cut parsley, 1 tsp. grated carrot, 1 tsp. sesame seeds fried for a minute in oil.

Put the cubed beef into the flour and then fry in the oil. Put the meat aside and fry the onions and garlic until golden. Add the sliced mushrooms in the water and bring to a boil. Add the water and soup powder, bay leaf, salt and pepper and simmer the cubed beef for over an hour. Add the parvee cream with the lemon juice and paprika. Cook over a low heat for about 15 to 20 minutes. Serve with the boiled rice (18 minutes) mixed with the parsley, cooked carrots, celery and the fried sesame seeds.

Meat-Egg Loaf

1/2 kilo ground beef, 1 slice of bread soaked, 1 small egg, 80 grams of grated celery root, 2 tbsps. water with a whisk of chicken soup powder or beef powder, 1 small grated carrot, 1 small grated onion, 1 small crushed clove of garlic, dash of nutmeg, dash of salt and pepper, 1 teaspoon chopped parsley, 2 hard-cooked eggs shelled, margarine for cooking.

Mix all the ingredients (except the hard-cooked eggs and margarine) together. Put half the meat mixture into a well-greased loaf pan. Put the hard-cooked eggs along the middle and cover with the remaining meat. Dot with margarine and bake for 15 minutes in a very hot oven and then reduce the heat to 350F and cook for about 45 minutes until the meat is brown on top and shrinks from the sides of the casserole. Serve in thick slices, so that the egg centres each piece. Serve with tomato sauce or ketchup.

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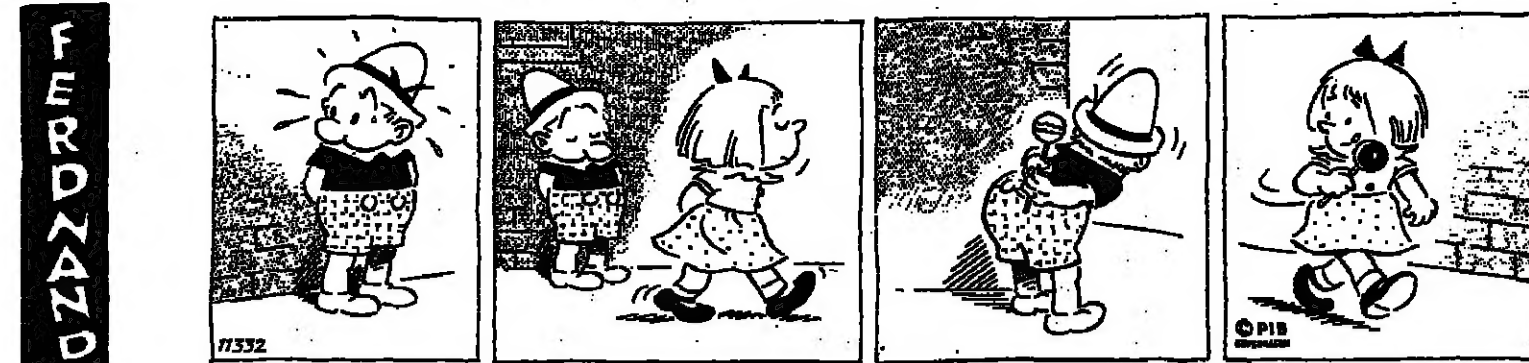
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Seeking Housekeeper

SEEKING HOUSEKEEPER able to cook, sleep in, salary 11,000. Please contact 1-2, Tel. 03-22268.

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HOW CLAL BECAME ONE OF THE BIG FOUR

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

CIAL Investment Company — one of the four big private banks — has taken another big step forward in the imminent acquisition of the Central Trade and Investment Company (CTIC) — was founded only a decade ago. It has become the largest of the four big business conglomerates in the country; the other three are Bank Leumi group, the Discount Bank group and the Bank of Poalim group (including Koor Bank).

Excluding banks, CIAL is the largest privately owned concern in Israel. It was sponsored at the beginning by Finance Minister Pinhas Pori (then Minister of Commerce and Industry) as a channel for participation by Jewish businessmen in Latin America. It still carries this function, but as a side effect — many Governments in Latin America restrict the export of capital.

The chief function has turned out to be different. CIAL became a major instrument for funneling capital into economic growth. It has become important because it is efficient, and profitable. And profits are the source of funds for industrial development.

CIAL has only put out one share issue since the time of its creation, and it has mobilized IL75m. — 80 per cent from investors in Latin America, the rest from Israeli sources. Since its own capital has grown from IL10m. to IL100m. (if one includes the reserves) (if one includes the reserves).



Aharon Dovrat, in charge of the management.

Dovrat has recently been busy dividing CIAL into three departments — construction, under Yehuda Temur; industry, under A. Tverski; and services, under N. Schmeersohn. Two of these men came originally from the Government; Temur from the Housing Ministry; and Tverski from Commerce and Industry, where he was one of Dovrat's deputies. The third is an auditor, formerly Controller in CIAL.

Schmeersohn is now replaced as Controller by Moshe Steingart, who was previously in the civil service too, where he headed the Economic Department in Customs and Excise. The present appointment is Dr. Pinchas Schwinger, in charge of manpower, and external relations. He was a Lecturer in Business Administration at Tel Aviv University.

Dovrat had another deputy in the Ministry, Ben-Zion Shapira, and he replaced him also, to head Bet-Shean Textiles. The experience of this firm — initially ill-starred — is characteristic of CIAL's story in general.

Bet-Shean Textiles was founded in the early fifties by "Jimmy" Levi, at a time when job-creating yarn mills and cloth mills were all the rage. It steadily ran into trouble, partly because making grey cotton cloth was unprofitable in a relatively high-wage economy, partly because of management problems. Four years ago it was still operating with ownership divided in three — one-third belonging to William Robinson, of

General, one-third to the Spiegel Brothers and one-third to the Government.

Sapir asked CIAL to save the ailing enterprise by buying out shares belonging to the Government's two partners. CIAL agreed, on one condition: that the Treasury undertake to buy back this stock if CIAL could not make the factory pay.

Mr. Dovrat tells The Jerusalem Post how the tale ended. "We not only bought the two-thirds holding as requested. We have also now bought the remaining one-third from the Government, and returned the buy-back guarantee to those in the Treasury who signed it." Total purchase price from all three partners was only IL4.4m.; but the owners were glad to get rid of the textile plant at that price; while CIAL's real investment re-built. It plans practically to re-build the whole concern.

GUS INDUSTRIES

GUS-Indusco, an industrial complex owned one-third by Rascos, one-third by Sir Isaac Wolfson, one-third by Wolfson-Clore-Mayer. CIAL bought out Rascos's share, after which the complex was re-named GUS Industries. Then Wolfson's part was acquired, and at the end of last year WOLCO's as well when the company (now wholly owned by CIAL) was finally dubbed CIAL Industries.

CIAL has a hand in many non-industrial sectors too — mortgage banking (Tefachot), construction (Azorim), insurance, financing, processing, travel, hotels (in Netanyahu and Sharm el-Sheikh). The merger with Central Trade and Investment Company will expand mainly the industrial and real estate wings. Azorim will be able to order cement from a sister plant in the organization — Shimshon in Bet-Shean. Bet-Shean Textiles will still stand under common ownership with CTIC's Kitan-Dimona and the Acirfin plant in Ahdod.

Israel is moving towards economies of size, if not at the present level, then at least at the level of the holding company. Prospects of all the many subsidiaries under CTIC can only be improved by the much stronger financial base they will now possess. But is this the most beneficial structure to adopt for the high-paced growth of Israel's economy scheduled in the coming decade? (This is the first of two articles.)



Jerusalem store manager Eliezer Kadmon, left, spends most of his time walking through the store, keeping his eye on things. (Rabiner)

Sales soar as Capital's Hamashbir turns two

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAMASHBIR Lazarhan, the store that revolutionized retailing in Jerusalem, has just entered its third year in its imposing new building. Now that the running-in period has passed, The Jerusalem Post decided to drop in and ask, "How's the business?"

"Fine, just fine!" replied manager Eliezer Kadmon with a wide smile. "Sales have soared — from IL17m. in 1971, our first full year of operations, to IL25m. this year!"

A far cry from Zion Square, today's Hamashbir — the second biggest in the 14-store chain — has 6,000 square metres of sales area and offers the biggest selection of goods in town. Much of that success is due to the giant supermarket in the basement. The well-stocked shop accounts for about 22 per cent of the store's volume.

There's an affluent man from the Ramallah area. A month hardly passes without his coming in to shop, with his wife and two daughters right behind him. After several hours of purchasing he and his family make their way to his office. He then unpacks every parcel and asks, "Kadmon, what do you think of this as a gift for my kids?"

Lord Redmayne, head of Harrods in London, has said that a department store sells service as well as goods. Mr. Kadmon agrees. "We don't become panicky if a item for a pound or two less than we do. Unlike many Israeli retailers, we stand behind every sale we make. If a customer returns a purchase, claiming a defect, we will follow through.

"We are members of the Better Business Bureau and we use the services of the Standards Institute, the Fibres Institute and other such agencies. If the article was defective in manufacture the customer will get his money back. And the customer can return the item to any one of our stores, not only at the unit at which he bought it."

Shoppers who have some time — and cash — left over, may brave it to the first floor (shoes, yarns, ladies' fashions), or to the second floor (housewares and gifts, records, linens) or the top floor (furniture, rugs, custom kitchens). Of course, after such a long trek (via elevator or escalator) they may sit down for coffee and a snack at the cafeteria, also on the top floor.

The Tel Aviv-based central buying office, which orders for all 14 outlets, is run scientifically. Says Mr. Kadmon: "Last spring I told them, 'I sold such-and-such a number of Friedman kerosene heating stoves, such-and-such a number of Japanese National stoves, and such-and-such a number of other brand — now, how many of each do you think I'll need for next winter?'"

Under the company's rotation plan Mr. Kadmon leaves next week to take over as head of the largest store in the chain, the Tel Aviv Rehov Allenby store. "I feel bad about leaving Jerusalem," he says. "It's hard to leave my thriving baby."

TAX BENEFITS AND INDUSTRY

By MOSHE APER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THE cost pattern of Israel industry has not changed significantly since the Six Day War, according to a recent survey by the research department of the Revenue Commissioner.

In 1970, as in 1968, wages — for both factory and office workers — accounted for just over 17 per cent of the sales turnover, depreciation for four per cent, overheads for five, and profit (before tax) was somewhat over seven per cent.

Neither has there been a change in the ratio of profit to own capital (including capital grants and perpetual debentures), which remained at slightly over 21 per cent.

The tax burden increased slightly (to average 38 per cent of the assessed profit). Nevertheless, the share of after-tax profit distributed to shareholders advanced from 22 to 36 per cent, increasing the average dividend rate from 4.4 to 5.5 per cent of the industrial companies' own capital.

OVERHEADS

Of the aggregate overheads, financing costs (net) made up an average of 70 per cent, administrative expenses 20, and publicity 10 per cent. Of the administrative expenses close to a half went on travel and eating out, just over a third to the maintenance of vehicles, and a sixth to presents and entertainment. Expense accounts thus amounted to one-quarter of what the industry spent on depreciation. Net financing costs — almost equal to depreciation and very one-fifth of the total mark-up over the cost of raw materials and wages.

Only 15 per cent of the total profits declared by industrial firms

EXTENT OF BENEFITS

Obviously, companies subject to ordinary tax rates were little interested in being in the black. On the other hand, the survey showed that the extent of tax benefits enjoyed by the industry is much less than commonly assumed. In 1970 they amounted to IL27m. — 1.2 per cent of the tax which the industry would have had to pay if assessed at ordinary rates. This included IL14.5m. of the government's "tax loss" from "approved enterprises," and IL6.6m. of "tax loss" from non-distributed "productive" profits.

The "tax losses" — in absolute terms and as a percentage — were much smaller in other economic branches. They totalled IL40m. in 1968, rising to IL51m. in 1970.

One may wonder whether such incentives could be provided in a simpler manner, and without the huge amount of red tape that is unavoidable today.

Histadrut travel firm rapped

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — The Histadrut tour-company, Histour, comes in for criticism in the report just by the Histadrut Comptroller. The company was founded in 1958, and 75 of its accumulated losses stood IL7,000; but then the company only became profitable, and the figures are not given in detail.

Of the several factors work-garant profitability was the increase in salaries from 900 in 1968 to IL862,000 in 1970 without any distinction being made between salaries and "benefits." Other reasons, applied, were the fact that some of workers made international calls without prior approval, a registering the calls; some workers received car allowance without any approval, and one received an allowance covering car expenses without this appearing in the company's records. The company claimed this was regular with one of its affiliates.)

In some cases, the employees of Histour used taxis and charged the company, as if the taxis had been used by tourists. There is also concern of employees going without receiving approval, the employees paid only 25

per cent of the travel fee (and were exempt from paying the travel tax), this gave them considerable "benefits." During 1968, the company's earmarked IL31,000 for such trips; in 1970, the sum rose to IL47,000.

Some employees, even if they got approval, failed to mention which countries they would visit, or how long they proposed to stay. As for expenses abroad, of which the company covered the major part (75 per cent), the employees did not always bring receipts, only notations of expenses written in their own handwriting. On occasion, Histour imposed certain duties on employees who went abroad on vacation, and in these cases covered part of the cost of travel and the expenses abroad. No attempt was made to define the time the employee took to fulfil these duties and the company depended on the employee's word. When Histour members entertained foreign tourist agents, they often overstepped the limits imposed on them, and sometimes failed to even

mention the names of the foreign tourist agent, just noting that they had entertained a "foreign tourist agent."

Histour failed to work out a proper method of accounting for its purchases, and often sums were paid out for purchases without proper authorization. And as for the "personal files" of the employees, most of them lacked such elementary details as changes in jobs, certificates, professional training, medical examinations before taking up their posts, and letters of recommendation from previous employers.

In 1971, the company dealt with 20,000 incoming tourists and 6,000 outgoing (Israeli) tourists. Figures for other years are not given. However, the total number of tourists handled grew by 125 per cent from 1966 to 1971, and its turnover increased by 260 per cent in these years (1966 to 1971).

The Comptroller notes that many of the shortcomings in Histour have been corrected, or are about to be corrected.

Prices avoid downdrift

WALL STREET Closing Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1972

NEW YORK (AP). — Stock market prices generally changed little yesterday, but avoided falling back to the downward drift which had swept them lower for most of last week.

A booming pace in machine tool orders during November and record automobile sales in mid-December helped buoy the market, cancelling out the normally bearish effect of prime rate increases by several major banks, analysts said. But the uncertainty surrounding the Vietnam war prevented any big gains.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks closed the day at 1006.70, up 2.49. The New York

Stock Exchange index of some 1,400 common stocks closed up 0.19 to 63.57.

Volume on the Big Board was only 11.12 million shares, below even the 12.54 million shares exchanged in pre-holiday trading on Friday.

Most active on the Big Board was SkyTrain. Boise Cascade was up 1/4 to 10 1/2. Mountain Fuel supply surged 10% to 89 1/4.

Ford, up 1/4 to 77 1/4, led the strong automotive group. Other active stocks were Gulf Oil, up 1/4 to 27, Pan Am, unchanged at 9, and P.E.N. stock, off 1/4 to 16 1/4.

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Arab women join Jerusalem co-op

Arab women from East Jerusalem have been accepted as members of the S.E.N. Cooperative, provides cleaning and services for Jerusalem businessmen.

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HARRY TRUMAN

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The man from Missouri came from humble circumstances. His experience until he reached Washington as a U.S. senator hardly seemed to prepare him for the tremendous responsibilities he was to shoulder from April 12, 1945.

Steeped in the study of American history, Mr. Truman had a deep understanding and great respect for the office of the presidency. On a number of occasions, he almost sacrificed his own political future in order to maintain the authority of his office.

His presidency witnessed the transformation of the United States from a neo-isolationist nation to the leader of the free world. He was responsible for the great decisions of the time, from the Truman Doctrine of 1947, to the Marshall Plan of that year, the establishment of NATO two years later and the decision to intervene in Korea and fight aggression through a collective action under the United Nations.

inadequacy and shortcomings, he was able to move swiftly once he made up his mind and stick to his word.

Harry Truman presided during one of the great moments in our own history. His resolution and steadfast support for the Jewish State, his firm conviction of the moral right and justice of Zionism, made him recognize Israel on the very day of her establishment. At a time of acute crisis and on the eve of invasion by the surrounding Arab countries, this act of recognition was of infinite value to the nascent state.

On Mount Scopus in Jerusalem, there stands the Truman Peace Research Institute, a living tribute to the President who sought peace, who laid new foundations for peace and understanding in a war-torn world, who gathered his strength and confidence from the Bible. He was led by simple, straightforward convictions from which he did not waver. His record of achievement has already become part of history, where he occupies a place of honour.

Mapam convention opens tonight THREAT TO UNITY AS YA'ARI STEPS DOWN

By MARK SEGAL Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

MAPAM will tonight open its sixth national convention at the Cinema in Tel Aviv. The presence of the President and the fraternal greetings of the Prime Minister and the Histadrut Secretary-General will symbolize to the delegates their partnership with the symbols of nationhood and the Labour movement as a whole.

This feeling of belonging to the establishment will undoubtedly play its part in influencing the subsequent debates and votes at what may prove to be yet another turning point in the tortuous path of this pocket of left-wing socialist-Zionism.

The convention is likely to be overshadowed by the keynote speech of party Secretary-General Meir Ya'ari. This founder of Mapam's "historic leadership" since 1927, has finally, at the age of 78, resolved to step down.

This seign of a line of great Hassidic rabbis in Galicia, Meir Ya'ari, brought to Zionism his own blend of fanatical faith in Eastern European socialism and a strict code of work. He brought his movement close to ideological Communism, but on the brink, at the shrill warning of Soviet anti-Semitism, pulled back to Zionism.

Not a few disciples stepped over the brink onto the other side, where Jews alone are not entitled to their own homeland. It took Ya'ari a long time to awaken to the tyrannical nature of Stalinism. He never denounced the early Communist atrocities. It was only after the late '50s, after the Sinyavsky trial and the judicial murders of Communist leaders in Hungary, Poland and Bulgaria, and the blood libel against Jewish doctors in Moscow, that Ya'ari awoke to action.

Before 1948 he opposed a Jewish state, preferring a bi-national Arab-Jewish state in an undivided land of Israel; Mapam will also go down in Israel history for its dissenting vote against taking independent action against the massed Arab armies in June, 1967.

YA'ARI has managed to keep Mapam united for nearly half a century. He remains the supreme authority of the Kibbutz Artzi federation with its 75 prosperous villages and a population of 30,000. Despite some criticism from younger men, he is truly beloved. Anyone who has seen Meir Ya'ari in action cannot but admire this combination of the Hassidic rebbe with the skilled politician, who has managed to steer his party out of the coldpans of opposition back into the cosy arms of the Alignment.



Meir Ya'ari — his departure may loosen the cement binding Mapam's towns and kibbutz branches.

The rising new leadership of Kibbutz Artzi seems aware of the dwindling numerical ratio of the kibbutz to the urban population, and that this could eventually threaten the disproportionately heavy number of kibbutz members with political power. Like other kibbutz groups, they bitterly oppose electoral reform, even inside the Histadrut, as it might produce a more representative distribution of offices.

The kibbutz leaders strive for much closer links with the other two Labour Party-affiliated kibbutz movements. As this can only be achieved in conjunction with a similar political reorganization, they were alarmed at the Party leftists' call for Mapam to go it alone at the polls and leave the Alignment. These men do not temperamentally belong in the opposition and they favour an eventual merger with the Labour Party.

This is the kernel of the matter: although the alliance with Mapam will cost them some middle-of-the-road votes, the ex-Mapam "doves" need Mapam to help them establish the line they support. The question remains of how far Mapam will go against Dayan, and how they will be able to share an electoral platform next autumn.

Kibbutz Artzi do not support Mapam, but the kibbutzim are represented at the convention as if they all did.

It appears that the anti-Alignment element, that sought to take Mapam into a leftist bloc with Maki and New Left groups, has lost ground since the 1969 party elections. They have reportedly dropped in the towns from 35 per cent to 27 per cent. In Kibbutz Artzi, the pro-Alignment forces won an overwhelming 81 per cent. The final outcome will be known on Friday evening when the convention votes on the future of the Alignment.

Tomorrow, there will be a vote on "peace and security" when there will be a bid to commit Mapam against the Government and Alignment line of including the Golan Strip in the Jewish State. This is aimed at ripping the Alignment apart, but is expected to fail.

This vote will also touch on Jewish settlements in the administered areas with Mapam as usual in two worlds. This wish to be both Zionist and part of "the great revolutionary world of progressive forces" has led to much of Mapam's zig-zagging and troubles the admirers of the kibbutz movement's constructive achievements.

The convention will spend its final day on Saturday considering a new party constitution, and a tough struggle is expected. The organizational secretary, Nattal Ben-Moshe, proposes that, henceforth, instead of a secretary-general the party should have two secretaries — one from the kibbutzim and the other from the urban branches. The majority leadership wants the existing arrangement, with a secretary-general plus political and organizational secretaries. The man considered most likely to succeed Mr. Ya'ari is Mr. Meir Tamir, 63, former secretary of Kibbutz Artzi and a veteran member of Mishmar Ha'emek.

Another controversial point is to limit the terms of office of party representatives in the Cabinet, Knesset, the Histadrut executive and other political posts to two terms, with a third term requiring special central committee approval. This could threaten five out of Mapam's eight M.K.s.

One issue which will play an important part at the convention is the attitude of Moshe Dayan. The party has unofficially adopted the slogan: "Let us save the Labour Party from Moshe Dayan." Mapam Political Secretary Nattal Feder said recently that Mapam is identified with Labour Party "doves" Pithas Sapir, Abba Eban, Avraham Ofer and Lyova Eliav.

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To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — We are rather surprised that, notwithstanding the strong reservations, even objections, made by practically all the immigrant associations, the Customs and Treasury have seen fit to ignore their needs and concerns.

goods or even all of their clothes with them on the aircraft, if only due to weight restrictions. They do intend to have their belongings shipped to them later by relatives or friends.

unable to order any household goods from their country of origin when they get here even if their country produced such commodities, which they don't, nor are they able to post any parcels before or after their departure.

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — May I express my wholehearted agreement with Rabbi Jacob Goldberger's letter concerning the forthcoming Independence Day parade (December 18).

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The press reports regarding the changes attributed to me by the need to combat alleged illegal activities on the part of certain immigrants. To the extent that this is the significant problem—and we doubt that it is—the authorities have ways of determining who are the offenders, if they choose to use them. Rather than follow a policy of deterrence by prosecution, they have chosen a wholesale method which is offensive, which infers that immigrants generally evade the law thus requiring general changes in the law.

The new rule on parcel post will prevent the many thousands of people who arrive in Israel without their full complement of clothing and goods from receiving these goods without paying a tax that any person from a Western country would not consider paying on his own used goods.

There is surely an easier way to find and punish immigrants and agents who violate their privileges than by penalizing innocent newcomers by depriving them of their right to enjoy the same privileges granted to other immigrants who can bring their household goods with them.

SEARCH FOR PEACE To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Generally, there are conflicts among countries, but every nation in the world likes peace, it searches for it and hopes to spread it. It does so because there are many advantages, such as pleasure, tranquility and friendship. So peace-making needs cooperation and sincerity to be used as a weapon to exterminate the evil. Nowadays, it is clear that those hopes are premature or perhaps too optimistic.

OSAMA A. E. QAIBI (16 years old) Hebron, December 19.

We question whether this "bull in the china shop" approach is the right method of encouraging immigration and assisting absorption. We think that the Government has taken a retrogressive step with most of the reported new regulations.

All in all, it is one of the most ill-conceived set of rulings yet introduced in a country that is trying to encourage immigration.

One point is definitely true. The new "get tough" policy will not affect immigration, as the immigrants are a much heartier and dedicated group than the petty bureaucrats, who spend their days dreaming of venal means to strike back at the Western immigrants, who dared to move to Israel of their own volition.

FALASHAS ON TV To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — After seeing the Israel TV programme on the Ethiopian Falashas, my feelings and those of my family were so moved and sympathetically aroused that I find myself writing to you to ask the Israeli people and the Jews abroad why these people, who are so sincere in their beliefs, cannot be accepted as Jews.

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GABRIEL GLAZER President, Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel Tel Aviv, December 18.

Firstly, those Jews who contrive to leave their country do so mostly by illegal means and are very lucky if they can safely make their escape and save their skins. They are naturally unable to bring any of their belongings with them but are compelled to leave all their property behind. Before leaving, they must take precautions so that no one should know anything about their planned escape, mostly leave their cars outside their houses and keep the contents of their houses hidden to evade suspicion of their escape for some time. They even leave on the lights in their houses to avoid the neighbours' suspicions.

How to achieve progress in ecology To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Let me applaud you for your excellent coverage of ecological and pollution problems in your Magazine dated December 15. May I urge all of your readers who are concerned over these issues to remember: if you want to accomplish anything, you must act. No one will do it for you. Here are some suggestions for such action: Write to Azariah Alon at the Society for Preservation of Nature, 4 Rehov Eshkol, Tel Aviv, Avraham Kagan at Nature Reserves Authority, 16 HaNatziv, Tel Aviv and David Sivan at MALRAZ, Tochni-Kovovsky 30, Tel Aviv. You might also add, as I have done, that if a list were submitted for election to the Knesset, based on one major platform, i.e. combating pollution, I hereby commit myself to vote for it.

DAVID GABER Neve Sharet, December 18.

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